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"It is felt desirable, as a purely precautionary measure, to free all menfolk engaged in defence work from domestic ties, and the evacuation will also ease the food supply problem in the event of an emergency arising — which is not expected."

Authoritative quarters this morning thus summarised the guiding factors behind the developments of the last two or three days.

JAPANESE AIMS IN PACIFIC

London, To-day.

A "Times" editorial headed "Japan and the Pacific" this morning refers to Mr. Arita's broadcast and says the main feature was a sort of Monroe Doctrine covering the Far East and a great, if unspecified, part of the south Pacific.

Tokyo is obviously taking full advantage of the preoccupations of Whitehall. It is a development inevitable after the defeat of France and need cause no surprise.

Significant was Mr. Arita's inclusion of Eastern Asia of the South Seas, a vast area he did not attempt to define but which might include anything from Java to Tahiti.

He did not define the developments which he appeared to anticipate, and till more light is shed on these it is difficult to assess the importance of the declaration.

Sphere Of Influence

If it means that wide regions of the Pacific and the Far East are to be regarded as a Japanese sphere of influence, where other powers, if tolerated at all, are to keep their proper stations, then the claim will not easily be accepted by nations which have definite rights in those parts of the world, but if it only means that Japan expects to be consulted in any ultimate territorial or political changes in the Pacific, the demand would be natural enough at a time when foundations and frontiers in a great part of the world have been shaken or swept away by lawless violence. — *Reuter*.

It was pointed out that in the present disturbed state of the world, all possibilities have to be taken into consideration, however remote, and among them the chance that trouble may occur in this part of the world.

No Fears

No fear is, however, entertained in the best informed quarters that the Colony is in imminent danger of becoming involved in hostilities. If the situation had been officially regarded as grave, there would have been no delay in evacuation.

As it was, ships were held over at one time towards the end of last week and later authorised to resume their normal schedules.

Evacuees leaving to-day and Friday will be taken to Manila, where their stay will be quite short. They will be taken to Australia as quickly as shipping facilities become available.

Other Plans

Regarding the evacuation of women and children who do not come within the present Government scheme (many of whose husbands are serving in the defence forces of this Colony) a meeting this afternoon will discuss arrangements for their early evacuation, after Friday.

Should the situation suddenly take a turn for the worse, however, immediate evacuation of all who could be moved would be ordered, and the shipping facilities exist, according to authoritative quarters.

It is now stated that the reason for sending British women away first is connected with the difficulty of obtaining permission for persons not of pure European descent to land in nearby neutral places.

No Parking Order For Three Days

It is officially announced that in order to facilitate the arrival of persons and baggage at the reception (Continued on Page 20)

WEATHER FORECAST — Light north winds backing to south-west and freshening later; cloudy generally, occasional rain.

SOVIET ADVANCE OVERFLOWS

Bucharest, To-day.

The Soviet advance into Rumania is reported to have overflowed at some points into Moldavia and Wallachia.

Tension shows no sign of diminishing and anxiety is constantly fed by rumours.

Rumanian Jews who fled to Bessarabia were held up near the frontier where they met a counter-stream of German minorities fleeing from provinces occupied by the Reds.

Communists released from prisons by the Russians are reported to be paying off old scores. Waggon loads with wheat and sugar for Germany are said to have been detained by Communist committees.

Despite the denial that Black Sea ports are involved in Russia's demands, refugees are crowding into the interior from Constanza.

Rumanian territorial waters have (Continued on Page 20)

UNEASINESS IN GERMANY: BALKAN COUP

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berne, To-day.

The Soviet action in the Balkans has caused some uneasiness in the Reich, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss paper "Neue Zuercher Zeitung."

The correspondent asserts that during the Soviet-German parleys held in Berlin and Moscow last March, it was agreed to maintain the status quo in the Balkans.

Hence the Soviet occupation of north Bukovina, which has never belonged to Russia, is considered in Berlin to be unfair and likely to provoke fermentation throughout the Balkans, thereby shaking German plans.

However, the paper adds, Berlin is keeping cool and hopes are expressed that Stalin will avoid challenging the Axis.

Meanwhile, despite Hungarian denials, the Basle newspaper "National Zeitung" asserted Moscow had actually demanded of Hungary that she should surrender the Sub-Carpathian Ukraine, which was formerly part of Czechoslovakia. — *Havas*.

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London, To-day.

AN AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE states that a formation of R.A.F. bombers on Saturday afternoon made a surprise attack on Abbeville aerodrome.

A hangar was hit, four enemy aircraft set on fire and others damaged; all our aircraft returned safely.

At night our bombers made attacks on a chemical factory at Hochst which was left in flames, on the Dortmund-Ems canal, on marshalling yards at Soest, Schwete, Hamm and Gremburg, on military objectives in the region of Baden, others near Cologne and in the Bois de Chimay, in south Belgium, on aerodromes at Norderneta, Borkum, Schiapol (Holland), on barges in Munster (north-west Germany) and at Merville (France).

Damage was done to all these objectives; three of our aircraft are missing.

Yesterday morning a formation of our bombers again attacked Merville aerodrome and bombed aircraft on the ground; three of our aircraft failed to return.

Patrols of our fighters engaged a number of Messerschmitts over the French coast and shot one down.

Clash Over Channel

In the afternoon our bombers attacked railway sidings and goods yards at Vignacourt, north of Abbeville. Fires were started among rolling stock.

On the return journey our aircraft were attacked by a formation of Messerschmidt 109's. R.A.F. fighters intervened and shot down four of the enemy. All our aircraft returned.—Reuter.

CANADIAN MUNITIONS

Ottawa, To-day.

It is announced that as from to-day the Canadian Department of Munitions and Supply will assume the work previously done in Canada by the British Supply Board and will place orders direct for the British Government.

Mr. Howe, Minister of Transport, who is also in charge of munitions, announced that since the outbreak of war, orders for approximately \$75,000,000 and commitments approximating a further \$50,000,000 have been undertaken in Canada.—Reuter.

BRITONS ARRIVE HOME FROM ITALY

London, To-day.

The steamer Monarch of Bermuda, with diplomats, consular officials and journalists and their wives and families from Italy, arrived in Glasgow yesterday.—Reuter.

NEW WORLD RECORD

Fresno (Cal), To-day.

A new world record for the pole vault of 15 feet 1½ ins was made by Cornelius Warmerdam, of San Francisco, here yesterday in the National Amateur Athletic Union track and field championships. Present official world record is 14 feet 11 ins.—Reuter.

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GERMANY'S ECONOMIC POSITION

London, To-day.

Discussing Germany's metal position, the "Economist" points out that it was proved in the last war that scrap metal cannot replace imports.

The paper then examines the problem of how Germany's conquests can help her overcome her shortage of copper and other needed metals.

The French iron and steel industries, the "Economist" points out, depend largely on imports of coal, manganese, etc. The German dream of controlling the iron-ore resources of Central Europe and North Africa and building up iron and steel metal industries to rival the United States are far from realization.

Manganese, nickel, tungsten and other metals are not available in any quantity in Europe and North Africa and are now withheld by our blockade. Britain, on the other hand, has an ample supply and can get supplies of iron-ore from home and the Empire, as well from the resources of the American steel industry.

In 1938, the United States produced 73,000,000 tons of steel and between them the English-speaking countries can produce twice as much as the whole of Europe combined.—Reuter.

HEAVY RAIN BREAKS JAPAN DROUGHT

Heavy rains have broken the unprecedented drought, which has been a threat to Japanese agriculture for some time. The people had been gravely alarmed not only because of the shrunken water supply of Tokyo and other cities where a shortage of drinking water had loomed, but also because the food problem had seemed serious. Great relief exists as the rice transplanting now may be undertaken.

KENYA EMERGENCY POWERS

Nairobi, To-day.

It is officially announced that the Government's complete power of control over persons and property for the prosecution of the war, contained in the Emergency Powers Defence Bill last month, is now applied to Kenya.—Reuter.

RAILWAY WRECKED

Shanghai, To-day.

The Shanghai-Nanking Line was wrecked by Chinese guerillas between Wushih and Nanking yesterday. Last night the service had not been resumed. The Chinese dynamited the track.—Our Own Correspondent.

SUMMER TIME FOR TURKEY

Ankara, To-day.

Summer time is being introduced in Turkey to-day for the first time in history. All clocks are being advanced an hour.—Reuter.

LITIGATION OVER AN ESTATE

IN THE PROBATE COURT this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Young Leung-shi and her two sons Young Man-ye and Young Man-lok brought action against Young Hong-ning, asking for a declaration that she is the lawful widow of Young Shing, a laundryman, of City Island, New York, who died intestate, that she was entitled to letters of administration of the estate and that an order be made for the letters to be issued.

Defendant claims that he is the natural and lawful grand-nephew of deceased and next of kin.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin is for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Harold Lee, instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist for the defendant.

Mr. Fitzroy said that defendant was sued because of a caveat saying that he was the natural and lawful grand-nephew of deceased and his next of kin. Defendant lodged this caveat after an application of Letters of Administration had been filed.

Deceased, though he had been in America for a long time, was domiciled in China, and the widow was entitled to the estate, as she had been married according to the custom and laws of China.

In 1930, deceased disappeared and in 1936 was presumed dead.

Four days after a petition for Letters of Administration had been applied for, defendant filed his caveat.

Married "By Proxy"

Continuing, Mr. Fitzroy said that deceased married the plaintiff in 1922. He had been married before but his wife died without issue. In 1922, the marriage was arranged by a relative. The bridegroom was in New York and could not be present at the ceremony and so, according to the custom of the village, a cock decorated with golden flowers was used in his place. The bridal chair was used, but only half way, as the bride had been married before. The cock was taken into the house and the bride worshipped before the ancestral hall. A banquet was held in honour of the marriage.

That, in accordance with the laws and customs of China, constituted marriage.

The children of the bride, — two sons and a daughter—by her former husband, Luk, were also taken to the ancestral hall where they worshipped. They changed their names to Young. This was valid adoption. Letters were received from the deceased in which he referred to them as his wife and children.

Interrupted by His Lordship, Mr. Fitzroy admitted that the marriage had been declared invalid by the Appeal Court of China. It had not been consummated.

Her Arrangement

Young Leung-shi, in answer to Mr. Lee, said that after the death of her former husband, she arranged for re-marriage herself with a relative of deceased.

No member of the Luk family ever took part in the arrangement. No documents were drawn by the Luk family. She had seen the deceased, her husband, before he went to America but after the marriage ceremony she had not seen him. She had photos of him.

The case is proceeding.

DAIRY FARM ARREST

Before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, Ng Wai, 25, was charged with obtaining provisions from the Dairy Farm by means of a forged pass book on Saturday.

Defendant obtained bacon, chicken and fish from the Dairy Farm by using a pass book purporting to belong to Mr. N. J. L. Jefferies.

Sergeant Cullinan said that Mr. Jefferies' house-boy went to the Dairy Farm in Ice House Street handed in a pass book, ordering provisions and left. When he returned to collect the goods, he was informed they had been taken away by another Chinese.

Defendant was arrested later the same day at the Dairy Farm in Queen's Road Central with the passbook in his possession, when he tried to obtain some more goods.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed.

PRISON OFFICER STABBED

Prison Officer Franks, of Stanley Prison, was stabbed in the back by three Chinese prisoners on Wednesday, the "China Mail" learns to-day.

Franks has been admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital. His condition is not serious.

It is understood that the three prisoners will be dealt with by the Prison Authorities.

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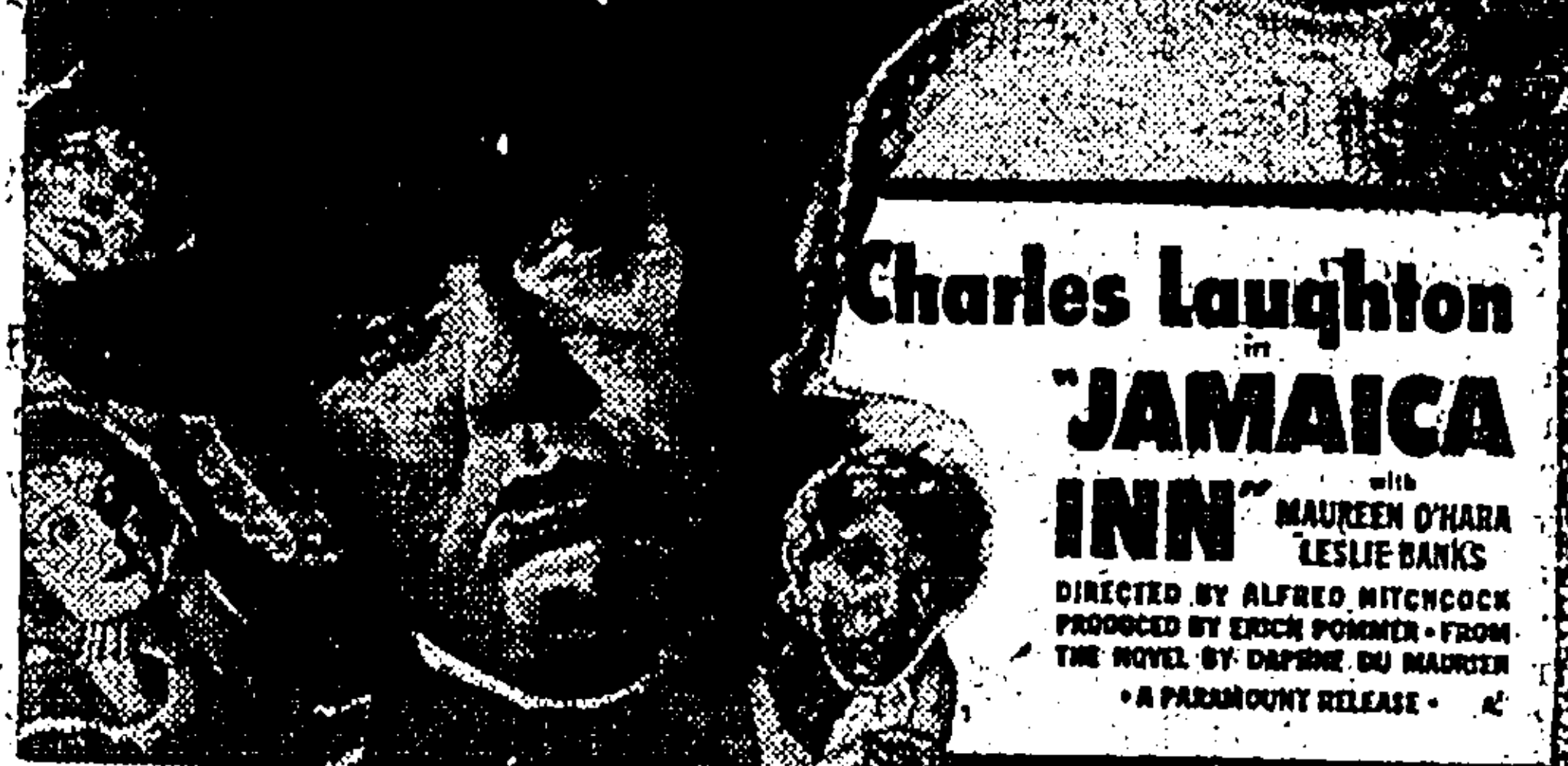
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EVACUATION NOT A HOLIDAY PICNIC

THE FIRST BATCH OF Hong Kong's evacuees, the wives and families of members of naval and military establishments, were expected to leave the Colony early this afternoon.

Rumours continue to circulate, but in spite of the atmosphere created by the sudden developments of the last few days, the general attitude of the population is far less jittery than in August-September last year.

Many British women who come within the terms of the compulsory evacuation order are accepting the situation as "force majeure" but do not want to go. On other sections of the community, the terms of the Government order have provoked disturbing reactions.

Asked this morning, how long evacuees were likely to be away, the Hon. Colonial Secretary said: "I only wish I knew. That will depend on developments in the situation."

Not A Picnic

Well-informed quarters, however, warn against the illusion that seems to be entertained by many women that the evacuation is of the nature of a two-months' "picnic party." Although nothing is certain, it is suggested that families may expect to be separated for the duration, and should make their baggage arrangements accordingly.

Once again it is officially stressed that no letters of instructions are being sent out to evacuees under the Government scheme.

The authority responsible for evacuation arrangements this morning again asked the "China Mail" to make it quite clear that all evacuees must re-register on Tuesday at the times and places notified yesterday in the "Sunday Herald."

American Decision

American nationals in Hong Kong have been advised to evacuate Hong Kong for Manila and the s.s. President

Coolidge is being held here until midnight for the convenience of those who wish to heed the advice.

This was disclosed to the "China Mail" to-day by Mr. Addison Southard, American Consul-General, who stated that notifications were being sent out this morning to all American nationals in Hong Kong advising them, on instructions received from Washington, to evacuate Hong Kong.

Mr. Southard pointed out, however, that they are not being ordered to evacuate and it was not certain how many will leave by the boat.

Community Meeting

The Consul-General revealed that before instructions were received from Washington advising their nationals to leave, a discussion took place between the leading members of the American community and it was concluded that the situation was not so grave as to justify evacuation.

A message was afterwards cabled to Washington informing the American Government of the feelings of local nationals and also pointing out that they would not leave Hong Kong unless ordered by Washington or the Hong Kong Government. Washington cabled late last night advising evacuation.

Asked what he thought of the situation, Mr. Southard replied that he could detect no signs of it worsening.

The s.s. President Coolidge was on her way to Manila yesterday when it was ordered directly from Washington to return to Hong Kong.

Chinese Leaving

Members of the Chinese community are, as far as accommodation can be found, heeding the advice given in the statement issued by the four Unofficial Chinese members of the Legislative Council on Saturday.

All boats departing for Macao yesterday and to-day were crowded to capacity with evacuees.

The wives and children of Chinese British subjects and local leading Chinese personalities, have been instructed to register at the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building, for evacuation purposes.

Heavy bookings have been made for Singapore.

Two American gunboats have arrived in Hong Kong and are standing-by to evacuate American nationals in the event of an emergency.

"Blockade" Report Mystery

The Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North informed the "China Mail" this morning with reference to the Daventry broadcast mentioning Wednesday as the day for commencement of a "blockade" of Hong Kong, that the Government had no details or information of such alleged intentions beyond the press reports.

Strangest fact about the broadcast was that no press messages have been received in Hong Kong from any source to indicate its origin.

SMOOTH RUNNING OF EVACUATION

In less than three hours this morning, 1,000 military and naval families were moved from their quarters, rushed smoothly through the formalities of registration, labelling and medical examination, and placed on board the large Canadian liner lying at the Admiralty wharf.

The speed and efficiency of the evacuation augurs well for Friday's greater evacuation of civilian women and children. To-day's evacuees consisted of wives and families of the military and naval troops stationed in Hong Kong, and included wives of men and officers in the Royal Naval Reserve and the Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Reserve.

This morning's evacuation was in two sections, one party from Hong Kong proper and the other from Kowloon. Shortly after 7 o'clock this morning, Army fatigue parties visited homes and married quarters to remove the baggage, which, as will be the case of Friday's civilian evacuees, consisted of one trunk and two suitcases for each adult and half that quantity for each child.

An hour later, an army of commandeered taxis was bearing down on the Hong Kong Club (in the case of Island evacuees), where the volunteer nurses acted as guides while orderlies took care of baggage labels. Labels were also "affixed" to each woman and child!

Taxis Commandeered

Medical examination of throat and chest followed, after which those who wished to draw funds against pay were allowed to do so. Tea and sandwiches were provided in a large lounge, a welcome respite to the flurry and bustle (not to mention heat) of the evacuation, while luggage was loaded on board the ship.

After everyone had been registered, the little army of evacuees was taken down to the Dockyard wharf. By 10 o'clock this morning, everyone was on board, and the decks of the liner were alive with mothers, wives and children of all shapes, ages and sizes, bustling around or leaning on the rails to look down at the busy wharf.

Similar measures were being carried out in Kowloon, and the families from the Mainland arrived to swell the throng shortly after the Hong Kong families had been put on board. The ship sails at about 4 o'clock this afternoon and should arrive in Manila the day after to-morrow.

Other Phases

Hong Kong banks were full of Chinese all day to-day as they queued up to draw out their savings. The Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank was particularly crowded, and a large number of Chinese and Indian police constables, headed by a European officer, were kept busy controlling the queues, which were five or six abreast and, in the morning, ran the whole length of the Banking Hall and

GUNMEN KILL HIGH POLICE OFFICER

Crime hit a new high in Shanghai when Superintendent Liu Yung-kuei of the Shanghai Municipal Police Uniformed Branch was shot dead by three or four desperadoes on the corner of Avenue and Ferry Roads at 8.05 a.m.

As was his custom, Mr. Liu left his house at Lane 1300, House 20 Avenue Road, near Ferry Road, at about 8 a.m. to go to the office and, while waiting for a tram, was surrounded by three or four Chinese who shot him in the back. Mr. Liu was hit by two bullets, one of which entered his back while the other penetrated his neck just below the ear. The police officer fell, blood streaming from the wounds, while the gunmen, taking advantage of the disorder created, got away before any police could arrive on the scene. Mr. Liu was immediately rushed to the Police Hospital, but was pronounced dead on arrival. His body was removed to the International Funeral Directors, although no arrangements for his funeral have yet been made.

The murder was committed on a busy thoroughfare and although it was witnessed by many Shanghai-landers, the exact number of gunmen could not be ascertained, although it was given not more than four.

EXEMPLARY SERVICE RECALLED

The late Mr. Liu, a native of Wusih, was 52 years of age and received his education at St. John's University, graduating just before he joined the Police Force as a Clerical Assistant on February 6, 1908. His pleasant manner and cheerfulness made him many friends among police members, while the efficiency with which he carried out his work soon earned him promotion and he rose steadily to Superintendent, when he was transferred to the Executive Branch on October 16, 1930. At the time of his death, he was in charge of the Chinese Branch of "C" Division, with his office at S.M.P. Headquarters, since Chinese officers are not allowed to carry arms north of the Creek.

No motive for the murder could be given by police officials, who stated that Mr. Liu was not known to have any enemies and had not participated in any armed gang round-ups in the recent years. Nevertheless, it is believed that he was shadowed by the gangsters, who must have learned well the time of his going to work.

The late Superintendent Liu, who leaves a wife, three boys and three daughters, one of whom is married, is the second high Chinese police official to die from the bullets of gunmen, the first being Superintendent Loh Lien-kwei, who was shot by desperadoes on August 18, 1938.

SCHOOLS POSITION

The Director of Education, Mr. C. G. Solis, stated to-day that his Department has not ordered any school or college to close.

The schools were instructed to "carry on as usual until further orders."

Mr. Solis, however, pointed out that some schools will have to close when the evacuation is carried out.

continued on down the steps. The crowd was almost wholly Chinese, but here and there the turban of an Indian police constable could be seen standing out over the sea of heads.

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MYSTERY OF DEATH OF MARSHAL BALBO

Another Von Fritsch Affair?

London, To-day.

THE FOREIGN OFFICE NEWS department says careful investigation shows no British aircraft were concerned in the crash of Marshal Balbo's machine and there is no truth in the statement that he fell in battle.

His death in an unexplained aeroplane disaster recalls similar accidents in the past, particularly the death at Warsaw of General von Fritsch, opponent of Hitler's home and foreign policy.

The German wireless itself drew the parallel when it said last night: "Balbo's death thus occurred in the same spirit as that of von Fritsch. As in the case of von Fritsch and many others, the truth probably will never be known. Only fact which can be established is that Balbo did not perish in combat with the R.A.F." — Reuter.

CAIRO UNABLE TO SOLVE MYSTERY

London, To-day.

A mystery has developed about the circumstances surrounding the death of Marshal Balbo.

On Saturday night, the Rome Radio announced that the plane in which he was flying was shot down in flames during a British raid on Tobruk, in Libya.

Yesterday morning, however, Rome Radio said that there were eight people in the plane with Marshal Balbo, and the other prominent Italians who lost their lives included the Federal Secretary of Tripoli, the Editor of the "Corriere Padano" and other important Tripoli officials.

Obviously, therefore, Marshal Balbo could not have been in a fighter plane.

The Italian account of his death—that he was "killed in action"—has, therefore, caused some surprise in the R.A.F. The R.A.F. pilots who took part in Friday's raid on Tobruk state that they did not meet any large passenger-type plane.

They saw a plane burning on the ground, but they were unable to identify the type.—Reuter.

FIFTIETH AIR RAID ON MALTA

Valetta, To-day.

Malta had its fiftieth air raid at 9 o'clock yesterday morning when the alarm sounded. No firing was heard. An hour later there was a second raid accompanied by heavy anti-aircraft fire and machinegunning. A number of bombs was dropped.—Reuter.

HEAVY DAMAGE IN HAMBURG & COLOGNE

London, To-day.

Neutral observers confirm that much damage has been done to docks and warehouses in Hamburg and to an industrial plant in Cologne as a result of recent R.A.F. raids.

Several ammunition dumps have also been blown up beyond all hope of even salvage.—Reuter.



GENERAL BALBO

LINCOLN REGIMENT OFFICER'S INSPIRED HEROISM

London, To-day.

FURTHER AWARDS for gallantry with the B.E.F. were published yesterday: they include a bar to the D.S.O. for Major Raleigh Charles Joseph Chichester-Constable.

Major Chichester-Constable "throughout a fortnight's fighting on very wide fronts showed marked leadership and a complete disregard for safety.

His handling of his brigade after he had launched a counter-attack which drove the enemy into a marsh was such that there was in his sector no more pressure during the final withdrawal.

The D.S.O.'s include Major Gilbert Sydney Jones, of the Lincoln Regiment, who "during the withdrawal, with complete disregard of his own safety, worked day and night in a manner which inspired officers and men alike.

"In particular, at Dunkerque on the night of June 1, standing up to his chest in the water under heavy shell fire, he assisted exhausted soldiers into boats, who in sodden clothing and with equipment and arms, might otherwise have been drowned.

Guided Remnants

"It was impossible to embark all the unit that night but it was not until after the last boat left that Major Jones ceased his self-appointed task and, although on the point of collapse, he guided the remnants of the two companies remaining to comparative safety.

AIR MINISTRY CASUALTY LIST

London, To-day.

The latest Air Ministry casualty communique gives the names of 14 killed in action, 14 previously reported missing now reported killed in action, 16 wounded or injured in action, three died of wounds or injuries received in action, seven missing believed killed in action, 184 missing, 19 killed on active service.

The list includes Sergeant R. C. Caldwell, born in Singapore, who is missing, and Pilot-Officer G. T. R. Johns, born in Hong Kong, who is wounded or injured on active service.—Reuter.

FRANCO-GERMAN ARMISTICE COMMISSION

Berlin, To-day.

The first sitting of the Franco-German armistice commission was held yesterday morning at a hotel in Wiesbaden, says the official German news agency.

The German delegation was led by General von Stuefangel and comprised Lt-General Mieth (Army), Lt-Gen. Foerster (Air Force), Commodore Wever (Navy) and Lt. Huenermann (Economics and Industry).

The French delegation was led by General Huntziger who also represented the Army, and included representatives of the air force and navy.—Reuter.

CHAPLIN'S HITLER FILM

Mr. Charles Chaplin is extremely worried about his film satirising Hitler. It has almost been completed at a cost of £400,000, but he feels it is useless to release it now.

He has told close friends that he does not believe it will be possible to do so as long as the war lasts or indeed until long after it is over, because nobody is in a mood to laugh at Hitler now.

ON TO ADDIS ABABA

Nairobi, To-day.

"I hope we shall meet one day in Addis Ababa. Good luck for all" telegraphed General Legentilhomme, commander of the French forces at Djibouti, replying to a telegram of good wishes from Major-General Dickinson, G.O.C., East Africa.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed



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BRITAIN WILL GO DOWN TO RUIN BEFORE BOWING TO HITLER

London, To-day.

"ALL MEMBERS OF THE WAR CABINET are working together in complete harmony and agreement," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, broadcasting last night, "and anyone who lends himself to German propaganda by listening to idle tales about disunion among us or who imagines any of us would consent to enter peace negotiations with the enemy, is just playing the Nazi game. "We are a solid and united nation which would rather go down to ruin than admit the domination of the Nazis but we intend, under the leadership of the Prime Minister, to attack our enemies and meet their attacks upon us with the resolution and fighting spirit which become a great people.

"Though we are left alone to defend freedom and civilisation, brave men and women will only be braced by the knowledge that we must now rely upon ourselves under providence to win through, as we have won through before.

"I do not for a moment under-rate the military might which overwhelmed the gallant French army and reduced France to her present position. We all know the enemy is now free to fall upon us.

"Doubtless the air raids we have lately experienced are only a prelude to something more serious, for the Nazis are staking everything upon the chance of winning a short war.

At Any Moment

"We know they even now are completing their preparations for an attempt to invade this country. At any moment an invasion may be launched by sea and air but the enemy is divided from us by a more formidable anti-tank obstacle than any he has yet encountered, namely, the sea.

"Our navy, which is still growing, is vastly superior to the German and our warships must be eluded or driven off before any sea-borne expedition can land on our shores.

"Even if the expedition is landed safely it must still be supplied, mainly by sea, with all that a modern army requires to fight on in the face of fierce resistance.

"Our air force, which is numerically stronger to-day than it has been since the beginning of the war in equipment, training and morale to the enemy air force, would have to be destroyed or driven off before the enemy could land safely from the sea or air.

Army Strength

"At this moment there are larger armies in this country than there ever have been during the whole of our history—an army of which a large part are seasoned troops who have not only met the enemy already in battle, but have felt their own superiority to him.

"That army is daily growing stronger in numbers, preparedness and equipment.

"Lastly we have the other great army of men and women who are putting their whole strength into

the task of furnishing us with weapons and food or devoting themselves to the work of civil defence. "One and all they are animated by the same fighting spirit which will never yield.

He Or We

"If the enemy does try to invade this country we will fight him in the air and on the sea; we will fight him on the beaches with every weapon we have.

"He may manage here and there to make a break through; if he does we will fight him on every road, in every village, in every house, until he or we are utterly destroyed.

"If he is driven to evacuate, as we had to evacuate France, there will be no friendly fleet waiting for him. There will be nothing waiting for him off the beaches of England but death and disaster.

"I have given you material reasons why we should be able to beat off any attack but we have something even stronger on our side.

"We will be fighting for our own hearths and homes, with the conviction that our cause is the cause of humanity and peace against cruelty and persecution, of right against wrong—a cause that surely has the blessing of Almighty God.

"It would be a faint heart indeed that could doubt our success." — Reuter.

RECRUITING FOR FRENCH LEGION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Recruiting for the French Legion is expected to start to-day after minor points have been agreed on with the British Government.

The Legion will consist of air and land forces and will include motorised units.—Havas.

FLAGS AT HALF-MAST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

The Rumanian Embassy and consulate are flying their flags at half-mast to mark the cession of Bessarabia and Bukovina to Russia. All Rumanian officials in London are wearing black ties as a sign of mourning. — Havas.

SHANGHAI EXCITED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai, To-day.

All the local newspapers carry the news from Hong Kong under banner headlines but as yet there has been no editorial comment.

Surprisingly enough the Nazi paper "Ostasiatischer Lloyd" is the only paper not displaying the news of evacuation of women and children, which is hidden away in small print among other items in an inside page.

Writing in the "Sunday Mercury," Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead concludes that the Anglo-Japanese issue is mainly embodied in the Burma road problem and "will not be pushed to a showdown, it is to be hoped."

He says: "That can only happen if the Japanese prove absolutely intransigent." — Havas.

Mr. Harold Nicolson On

THREE THOUGHTS THAT SHOULD BE UPPERMOST

London, To-day.

MR. HAROLD NICOLSON, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information, in a speech last night, urged three things as thoughts which should be uppermost in the minds of all British people.

First, avoidance of defeat, second, the achievement of victory, third, the construction of a new world bearing little resemblance to the old world and in which opportunity, equality and security should at any sacrifice be secured for all.

Two special products of German propaganda needed combatting by all right thinking men and women.

First, that Germany was irresistible. "This is no little war waged in certain areas of Western Europe, nor will it come to a conclusion with the narrow land frontiers in which alone Hitler can operate.

This is a war in which the great oceans and the great air spaces of the world will play a decisive part.

Do not let us think of ourselves as a people besieged in a small island within an iron ring of enemies.

The Front Line

Let us think of ourselves as holding the front line of a vast defensive position with behind us the great forces of our Empire, the great resources of the Americas and the whole highways of the world."

Mr. Nicolson continued that to the German people to-day Herr Hitler appeared as some messiah and almost supernatural leader whose might could not be resisted by any force.

He had until now triumphed by the perfection of his mechanism but was now faced with a new element which broke the power of Spain as it broke the power of Napoleon. He was faced by the unconquerable supremacy of the British Navy.

Hitler Legend

He added: "Look at large maps. Do not look at little maps. Remember that if we can resist this invasion and falsify this prophecy the Hitler legend will have received its first

RUMANIA MOBILISING STEADILY

Bucharest, To-day.

The Rumanian Parliament is to meet on Wednesday.

The Rumanian semi-official news agency states mobilisation is continuing in a calm atmosphere and the public services are continuing, while the public and press are watching events with confidence in King Carol and the Government.—Reuter.

BRITISH BEEF POSITION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

British beef imports at present are more than sufficient to meet the country's demand declared the Minister of Agriculture in a broadcast speech. He added farmers should keep cattle on the hoof through the winter as a reserve meat supply rather than slaughter the animals in the autumn, as is usually done.—Havas.

tremendous refutation. Hitler knows that he and still less Italy cannot survive a protracted war. He knows that as the months pass we, with greater resources, shall acquire first equality and then supremacy in the air. He knows for instance that in the British Dominions no less than twenty thousand pilots are being produced every year. He knows that if he cannot succeed immediately, eventual failure is bound to come."

Second Element

Second element needing refutation was the theory spread by the Fifth Column that the ordinary man and woman in Britain would be no worse off if Hitler conquered.

These people did not realise that the working classes in Britain, like the working classes in other countries Hitler had conquered, would be deprived of those rights won in the great battle of the last 150 years.

Our trade would fall into German hands and that like of the humblest man and woman in the country would become the like of which he could not dispose freely but which in its every day and hour would be ruled, regulated and controlled from Berlin.

Filled With Anger

Mr. Nicolson concluded that he was filled with anger and pride. "Anger against the evil men who plotted the destruction of our gentle civilisation, and pride that it should be given Britain once again to save Europe from the domination of evil mastery." — British Wireless.

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RAIDS ON ENGLAND

Hospital Damaged In Midlands Town

Few Casualties Reported

London, To-day.

A BOY WAS KILLED, an old man died of shock and eight people were injured in Saturday night's German raids on England. Raiders crossed the south and east coasts and dropped bombs at various points without being able to deliver any heavy attacks.

A hospital was damaged in an attack on a Midland town, and a 10-year old boy was killed, while an old man died of shock. Several were injured, although none of these were inmates in the infirmary.

FRENCH EMBASSY AGAIN HIT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Chungking, To-day.

The French Embassy was again slightly damaged in the latest Japanese air raid, three bombs falling within ten yards of the Embassy compound.

A heavy stone was hurled through the roof of the building by the force of the explosions and landed in a first floor bedroom.

Bomb splinters pierced the walls and windows and damaged furniture.

The raid, which was carried out by two formations of aircraft, did comparatively little damage as most of the missiles dropped in the river. Some straw huts below the French Embassy along the shore were set afire. Other bombs fell in the western outskirts, on the Chengtu road. — Havas.

EXPULSION PROBLEM

Expulsion orders against Chinese criminals are temporarily to be stopped owing to the present situation, it was disclosed this morning before Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon when a coolie was convicted for stealing a piece of rubber from the Kowloon Godowns yesterday.

Sub-Inspector Johnson told the Magistrate that he had been instructed not to ask for an expulsion order as it was extremely difficult to get them away in this situation.

The Magistrate placed accused on a \$10 bond to be of good behaviour for one year.

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE IN PEIPING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Peiping, To-day.

The local Japanese Trade and Industry Association has decided to hold an economic conference to-day. Prominent members of North China economic circles and leaders of large concerns have been invited to attend. Mr. Kaya, president of the North China Development Company, will attend. — Havas.

Part of the extension to the Nurses' Home, opened only last Thursday, was hit, but it was fortunately not yet occupied.

One house was hit by a high-explosive bomb. A man, his wife and eight sons and daughters were having supper in the kitchen. Although the house collapsed on them, they were not injured, although the wife was cut slightly.

Attacks Ineffective

Other attacks were ineffective. In south-west England, the noise of the anti-aircraft guns is described as "terrific."

Three high-explosive bombs dropped in the centre of one town. No one was injured.

Some explosive and incendiary bombs fell on a Scottish town, but no casualties are reported.—Reuter.

German Communique

London, To-day.

A German communique claimed yesterday that the German raid on England was on military objectives only.

The communique admits R.A.F. raids on Germany, but keeps up the pretence that these were on non-military objectives only.

This sort of "information" has become a daily feature of the German communiques.

After boasting the night before of attacks on troop concentrations and embarkations in the Channel Islands, the Germans now realise that this story is too tall even for Dr. Goebbels' admirers to swallow.

Yesterday came the bald announcement:—

"The British Channel Islands have been evacuated and about 50,000 inhabitants brought to England. England had already withdrawn all military forces from these islands."

The communique apparently did not see fit to also mention that German air raids following the demilitarisation of the islands took a toll of 39 lives—29 civilians in Guernsey and 10 civilians in Jersey.—Reuter.

CEYLON GIFT TO HOME GOVERNMENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Colombo, To-day.

The Ceylon State Council has voted £375,000 for the purchase of warplanes as a first contribution to the Allied cause.—Havas.

PETAIN GOVERNMENT GOING TO VICHY

Clermont Ferrand, To-day.

Marshal Petain's Government has arrived here and will later go to Vichy, where the Chamber and Senate have decided to meet.—Reuter.

MAN SHOT DEAD IN MACAO

Macao, To-day.

An assassination occurred in the streets of Macao yesterday morning when a Chinese, Chen Tai-kong, was shot by an unknown person. A lady companion of the murdered man was wounded and admitted to hospital.

The motive is believed to be political.—Our Own Correspondent.

RATIONING PLANS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Rationing for cattle and poultry will be applied as from July 15, the Ministry of Agriculture announces. Four different mixtures will be available for cattle, two for pigs and 64 for poultry.—Havas.

Chan Kin-fong, of No. 230, Wanchai Road, driving in Fort Street yesterday, collided with a lamp post, damaging the front bumper of his car.

ACCUSATION AGAINST BRITAIN

Tokyo, To-day.

An accusation that Britain revealed Japanese strategy to Chungking, thereby infringing the understanding reached with Japan, is contained in a statement issued by the Japanese forces in South China quoted in a Canton despatch to the Domei agency.

The statement adds Japan feels no longer under an obligation to inform Britain in advance of her military operations on the British-Chinese border.

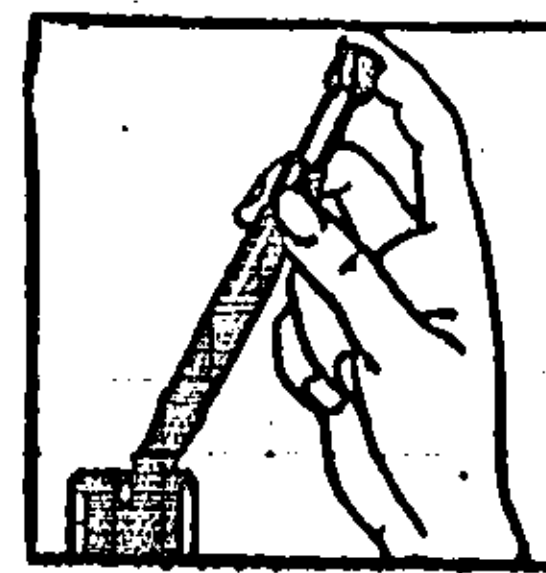
"Notwithstanding the understanding of November, 1938, the British authorities betrayed the Japanese strategic plans of operations near Pao-An."

"This was shown in Chinese documents seized by the Japanese forces during operations near Pao-An."

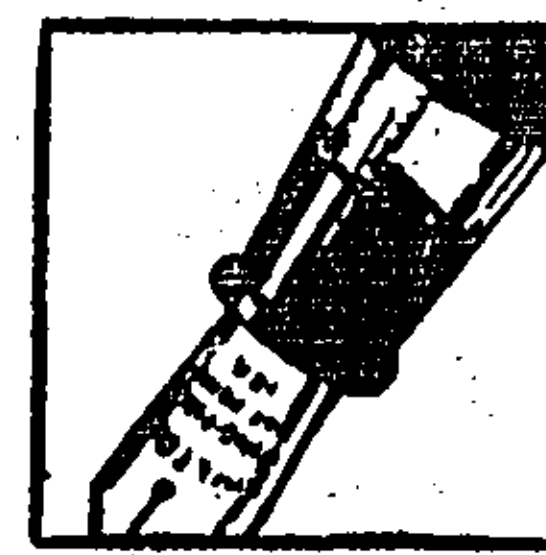
"A similar fact was revealed as a result of investigation made after the Japanese occupation of Pao-An." — Reuter.

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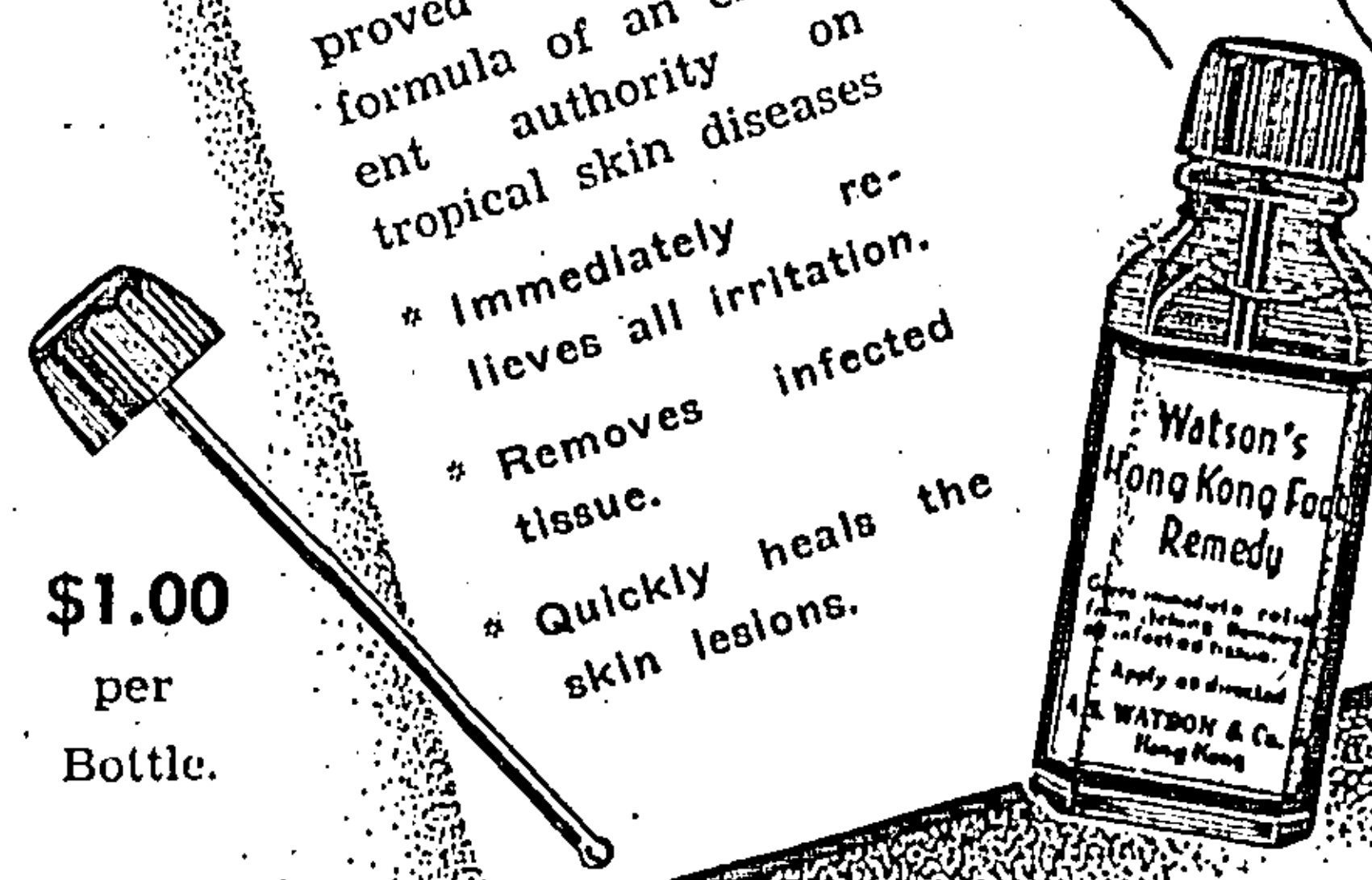
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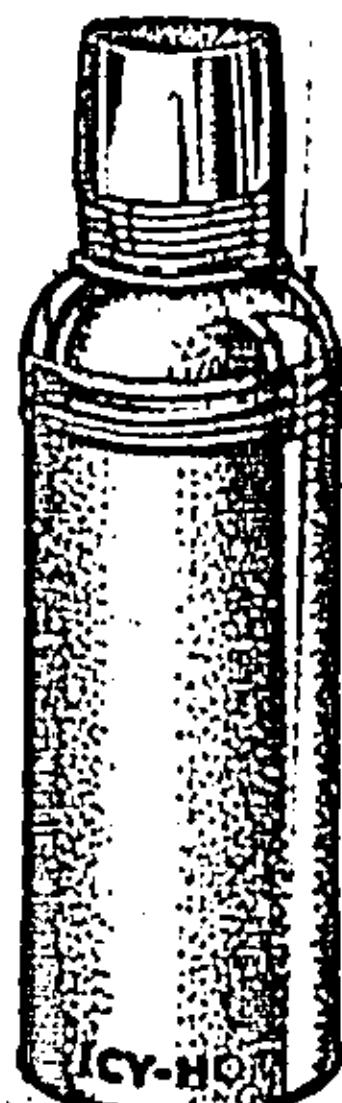


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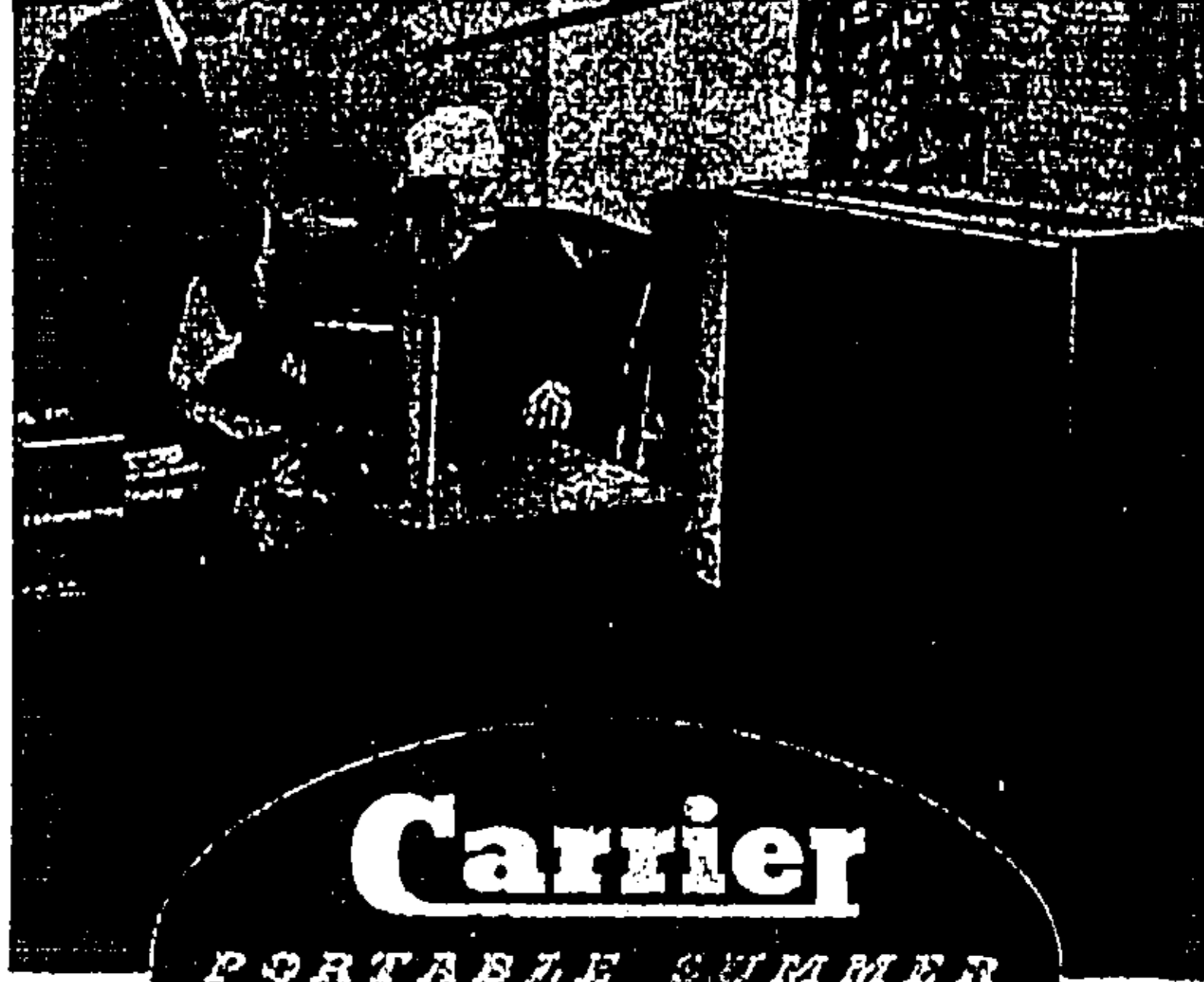
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION**THE ROLE OF RUSSIA**

There could hardly be a more striking illustration of the completeness with which the political and social revolution in Britain has broken down the old barriers in politics than the nomination of Sir Stafford Cripps as British Ambassador to Moscow. Less than a month ago such an appointment would have been regarded as incredible in conventional diplomatic circles. To-day new and perilous times are calling for new approaches to Britain's many problems, whether at home or in foreign policy. In this instance, the radical sympathies of Sir Stafford Cripps should make him persona grata with the Kremlin, but it would be premature to assume that his appointment is likely to herald a rapprochement between London and Moscow. The original proposal to send Sir Stafford on a "special mission" to Moscow was treated there, in fact, with studied coldness. Only two months ago, M. Molotov, in his address on the Soviet role in the war, bitterly attacked the Allies, denouncing their alleged "hostile acts against Russia," and accusing them of harbouring hopes of playing her off against Germany. In the interval, the sweeping military successes of Germany have caused the Soviet Government to shift its ground slightly, since it has become apprehensive of a possible German hegemony over Europe. In drawing away from his embarrassingly aggrandised associate, however, M. Stalin is not necessarily drawing closer to Britain and France. He insists on preserving an independence and aloofness motivated by self-interest alone. "The Soviet," M. Molotov declared recently, "has pursued and will pursue its own policy, regardless of whether it pleases gentlemen from other countries or not."

For her part, Britain is genuinely desirous of adjusting her trade relations with Russia, as a beginning, especially by arrangements which would restrict the present flow of Russian supplies to Germany—a flow which tends to counteract the effect of the British blockade. Hitler cannot long maintain his highly mechanised form of warfare without replenishing his stocks of petrol, and it is to the Soviet oil wells in particular that he must look. The cutting down of this source of fuel would strike a heavy blow at the Nazi war economy. Of this, Stalin also is fully aware, just as he knows that it is unhealthy for any country to possess resources upon which Germany has cast covetous eyes. Nobody can be more sharply conscious than the cynical realist of the Kremlin that, if Hitler were ever to obtain domination of Western Europe, he would proceed in due course to realise the ambition, proclaimed in "Mein Kampf," to add the Ukrainian granaries to the Reich. From a victory of the Allies in the war Russia has nothing to fear, since their paths need not cross strategically; but she could not view the triumph of a predatory Germany with the same assurance, and the onrush of the Nazis must be causing alarm in

Moscow at present. Russia's apprehensions, moreover, are not confined to events in the West alone. She is closely watching the Balkans for any aggressive move by Italy, as the partner of Nazi Germany. Against such a development she has given significant warnings by both her new relations with Yugoslavia and her hints to Hungary, and this armed watchfulness has doubtless been acting as a deterrent to Fascist ambitions. — "Sydney Morning Herald."

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ISOLATIONISM OUT

Presidential politics is no longer a Washington commodity. The pre-convention campaign, distinguished by the vociferousness of all the Republican aspirants and the silence of most of the Democratic aspirants, is beginning to arouse national interest and in a nation-wide survey of public opinion the Gallup poll disclosed that Secretary of State Cordell Hull ran substantially ahead of President Roosevelt in trial ballots against Senator Arthur Vandenberg. The President ran 53 per cent. to Senator Vandenberg's 47 per cent.; Secretary Hull ran 58 per cent. to Senator Vandenberg's 42 per cent. This unexpected showing will not, of course, affect Mr. Roosevelt's undoubted ability to command a third nomination; it may be influential in deciding whether he will permit his nomination.

It may seem to be news but there is no significance in Mr. Hull's quiet quashing of his candidacy. He insists he is not a candidate and technically he isn't. He doesn't need to be since he could not get the nomination without the President's support and with

PUBLIC OPINION'S POWER

To bring about the greatest and most important changes in the life of man there is no need of great exploits—of arming of millions of troops, of the construction of new railroads and machines, of the organization of exhibitions and of trade unions, of revolutions, of barricades, of upheavals, of the invention of aerial navigation, and so on. All that is necessary is a change of public opinion. To bring about a change of public opinion no efforts of thought are needed, no suppression of something existing and invention of something new and extraordinary is needed. All that is needed is not to acquiesce in the false public opinion of the part, which is already dead but artificially kept alive.

And when public opinion changes, all that inner fabric of men's lives which worries and torments them will change of itself with no effort.—Leo N. Tolstoy (1828-1910) in "Christianity and Patriotism."

the President's support does not need to seek the nomination. Would he accept the Democratic nomination? It can be reliably stated that overtures to a prospective campaign manager have been made on behalf of Mr. Hull.

An increasingly tangible line on foreign policy is being drawn between the Administration and its Republican opponents. It may very well be shaping a significant issue in the coming campaign. The President, with whom Mr. Hull would be in agreement on this matter, declared in a political address at Warm Springs that the United States needs in its own interest to exert

its active influence "to bring about a better order, a more secure order, of world peace when the time comes."

The leading Republican Presidential candidates, District Attorney Dewey, Senator Taft, and Senator Vandenberg, are urging that the United States avoid any part in working out the future peace.

It is not to be overlooked that the most frequently discussed "dark horse" Republican prospect is now Wendell Willkie, and that Mr. Willkie is a strong advocate of American co-operation in the peace-making. — "Christian Science Monitor."

NAZI AIR TERROR IN ALSACE OPERATIONS

Boys At Play Shot Dead

THE NAZIS had time during the recent operations in Alsace to hunt and kill a few Alsatian children, writes a war correspondent.

Twenty Alsatian boys, of about 12, were playing football on a field above the village of Trois Maisons near the "hospital city" of Phalsbourg, a place with no soldiers. It had been signalled to the International Red Cross as a town of mercy.

PREMIER TO MAKE NEW STATEMENT

London, To-day.

Mr. Winston Churchill is expected to make a further statement in the House of Commons this week regarding the failure of the French Government to continue resistance and the consequences of that failure to this country.

No definite date has been fixed for the statement but it will be made at the earliest possible moment.

Tuesday has been suggested as the probable day but it might be postponed until later in the week.

It is likely the Commons will wish to debate Mr. Churchill's statement and in that event there might be another secret sitting.

The Lords will also wish to have a debate of a similar kind during the week, and Wednesday is suggested as a likely day.

Lord Halifax will be the principal Government speaker.

It is not yet known whether the proceedings in the Lords will be secret, as some Labour Peers are anxious to have the debate in open session.—Reuter.

ITALIAN 'WARNING'

London, To-day.

"The Italian High Command considers the time ripe for an attack against the British forces which so far have been protected by the neutrality of Egypt," states the Rome radio.

It was added that demilitarisation under the terms of the armistice recently concluded of the frontier zones of the French Empire in North Africa would give the Italians "an added advantage."

The announcer concluded: "The Italian military machine can be launched against the Egyptian frontier along the road built by Balbo. I shall soon be seeing developments."—Reuter.

Suddenly, over the trees, came three returning German planes. Two Messerschmitts soared, but the third—a captured Curtiss still bearing the French colours—swooped till 30 feet over the little footballers.

The children scattered and threw themselves on their faces, but not in time to escape the bursts of machine-gun fire from the heroic raider. The Curtiss then soared and rejoined the squadron returning to Germany.

FIVE BULLETS IN BODY

White and whimpering the lads rose—all but two. One, a tiny, dark-skinned boy, moaned slightly. He is now in hospital. The other, Paul Magnette, lay still. Five bullets had pierced his body, one entering the back as he lay shaking on his face.

I saw the body prepared for the funeral. I saw the field with the unmistakable goal posts. I talked with the boys who escaped and I affirm it is impossible that any airman below 100 feet could conceivably have taken little Paul for a man.

NAZI "LOGIC"

That there was no mistake is proved by the fact that, at the tiny hamlet of Uberach, another airman machine-gunned to death. Joseph Wattelet, the same age as Paul Magnette.

Are the Germans then without human feeling? Not necessarily. They kill children deliberately, drop bombs on lorries and fleeing women, smash villages ruthlessly all as part of a logical programme. This is total war. One of its component parts is terror.

"PAIN DE MENAGE" IN SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

THE POPULAR FRENCH "PAIN DE MENAGE," OR FAMILY BREAD, WILL ENABLE THE FOREIGN COMMUNITY HERE AND SOME SECTIONS OF THE CHINESE POPULATION TO SAVE OVER \$30,000 A DAY, ACCORDING TO A SURVEY OF BAKERIES WITHIN THE FRENCH CONCESSION AND INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT BY THE AUTHORITIES WHO SPONSORED THIS BREAD HERE.

Sale of this bread began on Wednesday and bakeries extended full co-operation in the scheme.

Family bread is sold at 38 cents a lb. and many of the poorer Russian families will benefit, since a saving of almost 40 per cent. will be possible in the family budget.

The new family bread, which includes a larger part of Chinese flour, is not inferior to ordinary bread.—Havas.

HITLER IN ALSACE

Berlin, To-day.

Hitler visited Mulheim and Upper Alsace yesterday, inspecting fortified works in the Maginot Line which, according to the official news agency, are shortly to be demolished.—Reuter.

SECRET 'PLANE PARTS TAKEN FROM CAR

A set of secret aeroplane parts was stolen from a car near King's Cross station.

The owner, who is engaged on aeroplane construction, wrapped the parts in brown paper and left them in his car while he made a call. When he returned they had vanished.

WAR'S FIRST ESCAPE

THE FIRST BRITISH AIRMAN TO ESCAPE FROM GERMAN TERRITORY AFTER BEING REPORTED MISSING, PILOT OFFICER ALEXANDER McLEOD, OF CROFTFOOT, GLASGOW, HAS SENT A TELEGRAM TO HIS FATHER SAYING HE IS ON HIS WAY HOME.

"SAFE AND SOUND"

Mr. A. J. McLeod, his father, was informed that his son was missing after a bombing flight into Germany.

Then came a telegram from "Alex," which read: "Safe and sound. Escaped from German territory. Coming home soon."

"I knew that Nazis couldn't hold Alex, down for long," said Mr. McLeod to a reporter.

R.A.F. RAIDS IN ITALIAN AFRICA

Cairo, Yesterday.

An official R.A.F. communique states that yesterday successful air raids were carried out on bomb dumps at Macaaca (Eritrea) and low-flying attacks with bombs and machine-guns were made on petrol dumps.

Five hours later the main petrol dump was still burning, the others having burned themselves out. It is believed the greater part of the petrol at this aerodrome was destroyed.

Bomb dumps were similarly attacked, very heavy explosions resulting. Military huts nearby were also hit and extensively damaged, being left burning. All our aircraft are safe.

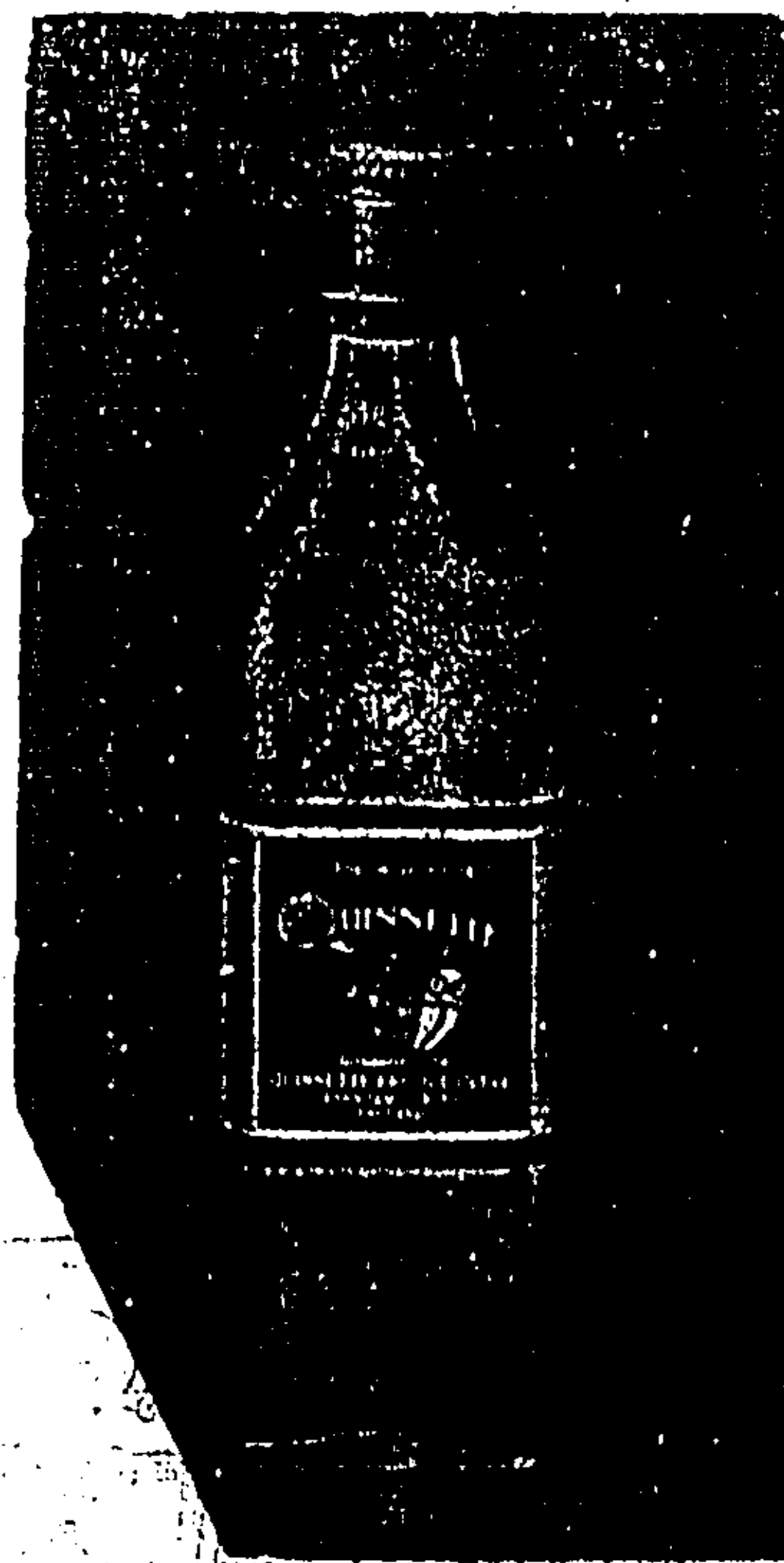
In the Western Desert an effective raid was made on El Gubbi aerodrome. Bombs burst among huts and aircraft gathered round the refuelling point. A large petrol fire was started, causing a smoke column rising to a thousand feet.—Reuter.

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Seen as the tourist sees it from the Red Square, the Kremlin has a strange unearthly beauty, as indeed it has from any angle, says G. E. R. Gedye in the "New York Times."

Its architectural features consist of a forest of gilded cupolas, nineteen towers built into its sixty-five foot wall, and the imposing buff-coloured front of the Great Palace.

A carillon constructed many years ago chimes forth twice daily the notes of the "Internationale." This same carillon used to play "God Save the Tsar" in pre-Bolshevist days.

Within the Kremlin's walls are many buildings some of which used to be churches. One of these is now a military academy and barracks and another is the Court of Justice.

Here we find the Lenin Mausoleum. The ashes of a number of revolutionary heroes have been buried in the outer walls of the Kremlin.

INACCESSIBLE TO THE OUTSIDER

Every one of the buildings within the Kremlin is inaccessible to the outsider. No sacred city of the Orient is more jealously guarded.

Foreign journalists are sometimes allowed to be present at the sessions of the Supreme Soviet in the Great Palace. Before a newspaperman can get a Press permit authorising him to be present at one of these sessions he must obtain the consent of the Commissariat of Internal Affairs.

Although Press passes bear the holder's photograph, every journalist authorised to enter the Great Palace must go through the scrutiny of policemen at four different points before reaching the Press gallery which contains nearly as many detectives as newspapermen.

Which only shows that the Russian O.G.P.U. takes no chances. After all, some of the Russian big-wigs, and sometimes Stalin, are present at the meetings of the Supreme Soviet.

Precisely what activities the Kremlin houses forms a part of its mysteries. Stalin seldom leaves the Kremlin on political business. Although he has the use of several country houses for recuperation, nobody knows which, if any, he is visiting.

WHERE POWER IS CENTRALIZED

Consequently it is within the Kremlin's walls that Soviet power is centralised. The Politbureau of nine members meets there as does the Council of people's Commissars who constitute Russia's Government.

The Commissariats themselves are not in the Kremlin but are housed in various buildings in Moscow.

All the recent epoch-making pacts were signed in the Kremlin. Here

came the Finnish diplomats on various unsuccessful attempts to satisfy Russia's demands and here was peace concluded.

Because the Kremlin and all it implies is deliberately cut off from the rest of the world, the result is isolation with all its disadvantages.

The usual contacts between the diplomatic corps and the Government of the State to which they are accredited, so valuable to mutual comprehension, are non-existent in Moscow.

The Kremlin seems to pay little attention to reports of Soviet diplomats abroad, apparently relying more on information of a secret or a semi-secret character.

As a result, while it is excellently informed concerning the hidden motives behind the professions and actions of foreign Governments, it is often lamentably ignorant about public opinion in foreign countries.

ONLY SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Representatives of foreign newspapers, too, live in isolation in Moscow. Their only source of information now is the official Press Bureau which just doles out stuff that has appeared already in Soviet newspapers or has been recently broadcast.

Russian citizens shun foreign correspondents because they are afraid of becoming involved in some new purge.

They remember only too well that hundreds of Soviet citizens have been executed in recent purges for having supplied information to foreign countries, and now they consider even harmless information having nothing to do with State secrets as taboo.

N.Y. RELIEF FUND

New York, To-day.

A nationwide campaign for \$5,000,000 (£1,250,000) to provide shelter in the United States for European children now in Britain is being launched this week by the Allied Relief Fund, which was recently organised to combine the efforts of various relief agencies throughout the United States.

The campaign, which begins on Independence Day (July 4) was undertaken at the request of U.S. Government officials and with the cordial endorsement of Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, states Mr. Winthrop Waldrich, President of the Fund.

Children coming to the United States will be those who took refuge in Britain from France, and children of British parents, who will naturally be more numerous.—Reuter.

WANG KEH-MIN

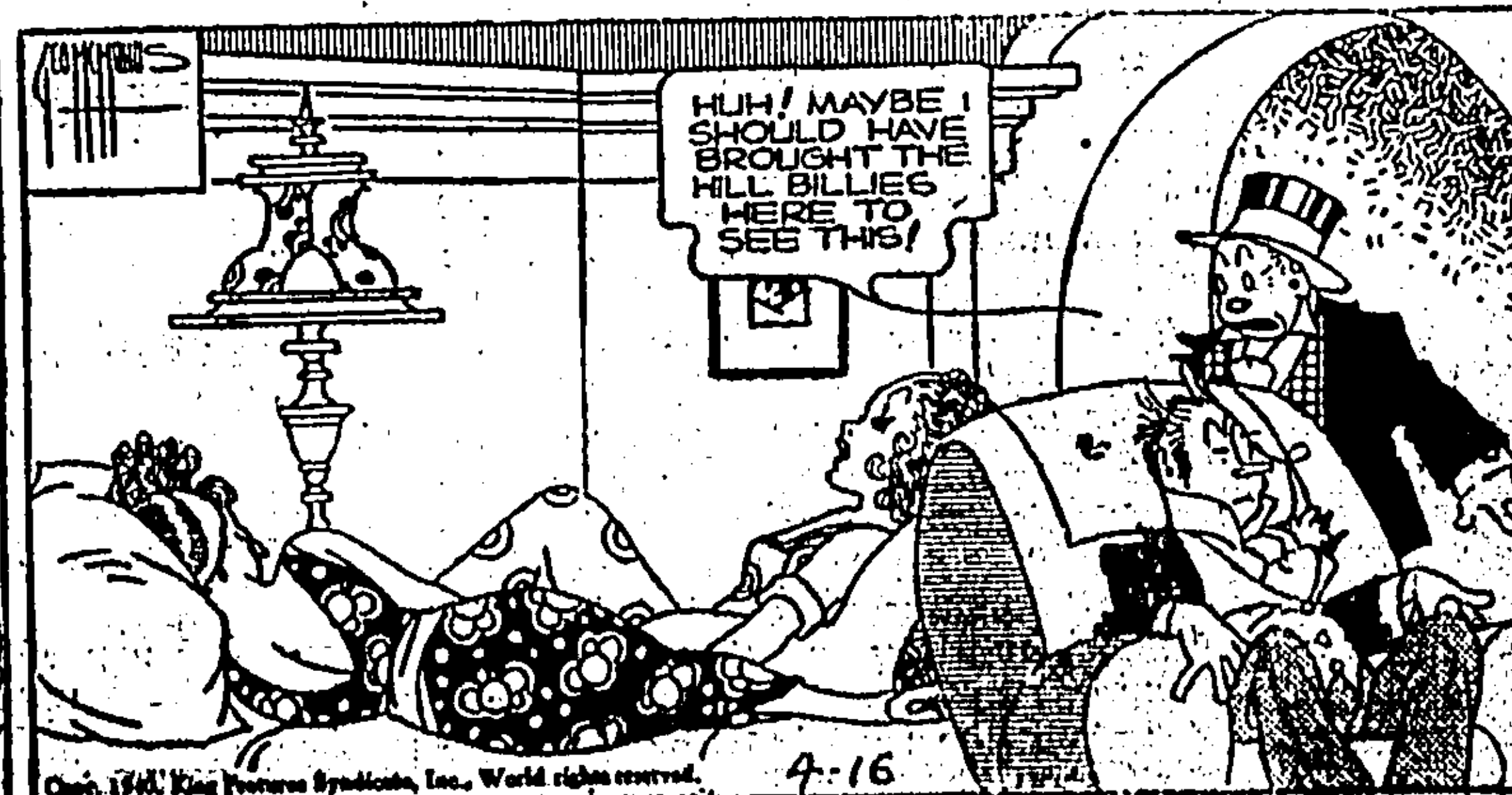
(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
 Peiping, Yesterday.

Wang Keh-min, former head of the Peiping Political Council, is going to Tsingtao early in July for a holiday. He recently returned from Japan. — Havas.

Bringing Up Father



By George McManus



DEFEAT OF THE "OLD GUARD" AT PHILADELPHIA

London, To-day.

IN A BROADCAST TALK on the subject of Mr. Wendel Willkie and the Republican Party Congress, Mr. Raymond Gram Swing, the noted American political writer and commentator, said that although Mr. Willkie is head of a great corporation which makes and sells electric power, he was not chosen by the Wall Street element which has guided the Republican party for many years.

He was nominated by free convention against two men—Mr. Robert Dewey and Senator Taft—that the Wall Street "Old Guard" would have liked to see nominated.

He was a rank outsider with no political experience and, indeed, was a Democrat only four years ago. He was chosen because the delegates obeyed, not party instructions, but their own desires. A man from Wall Street was chosen, but not as a man of and for Wall Street.

Mr. Willkie has been the most

forthright and clear-thinking of all Republican members in advocating American help to the Allies. He is not an isolationist. At the same time, he is not the opposite, an interventionist.

Long ago he set the limit of the aid he would have the United States give. He is against the United States going to war, but he has been vigorous and courageous in advocating help for the Allies when other Republicans were shifting and isolationist.

A Mistake

At the same time, it would be a mistake to credit his nomination chiefly for his views about war. It is true that the Republicans are now led by a man with as deep an understanding of the importance of help for the Allies as President Roosevelt, but that is not why he was nominated.

He was nominated because a gust of freedom swept through the Republican convention, because the delegates liked his American face, his appearance, his appeal, his personal history.

With his appointment, the Republican party has lost its platform of presenting the Democrat party as a war party and itself as a peace party.

With President Roosevelt as the probable Democrat candidate, the United States is now committed to help the Allies with all measures short of war itself.

Six Feet Tall

Concluding with a personal note, Mr. Raymond Gram Swing said that Mr. Willkie is a big man, six feet tall, with a large head, cheerful face, wide mouth, untidy hair and a grand cordiality about him.

He started out in life as a poor boy, worked his way through college, and was a captain of Field Artillery in France during the last World War.

He stayed in France for some time afterwards, defending American soldiers charged before courts-martial with minor offences.

He later became attorney for the power company, of which he finally became president.—Reuter.

SOVIET'S BLOODLESS BLITZKRIEG

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day.

The Soviet's bloodless blitzkrieg against Rumania ended yesterday when Red Army detachments using parachutes occupied the small town of Storoinetz, about 20 miles south-west of Cernauti, capital of Bukovina. Cernauti itself was occupied on Saturday.

With the occupation of north Bukovina, the whole fringe of Rumanian territory bordering the southern part of Galicia, has fallen under Soviet control.

Meanwhile rumours are current here that Russia has asked Turkey's consent for the Red Fleet to co-operate in the defence of the Dardanelles.

Other unconfirmed reports state that units of the Turkish fleet are heading towards an undisclosed port in the south part of the Black Sea.—Havas.

DOUBLE DOSE OF RAINFALL

The weather during June was exceptionally cloudy, humid and rainy. Rain fell on every day of the month except four, and there were frequent thunderstorms with heavy downpours; it was the wettest June since 1916. The bad weather was due to the persistence of a depression over northern Indo-China, with a trough of low pressure in the region of the south coast of China.

The mean temperature for the month was 80.4°F, which is 0.7° below normal. A maximum of 90.0° was recorded on the 15th, and a minimum of 74.1° on the 3rd. The mean relative humidity was 88%, which exceeds the normal by 5% and is a record for June.

Sunshine amounted to only 100 hour against a normal of 165 hours. The total rainfall for the month was 30.79 inches, which is double the normal amount, and approaches the highest recorded total of 34.37 inches for June 1892.

The maximum wind velocity in a gust was 39 m.p.h. at 11 a.m. on the 12th.

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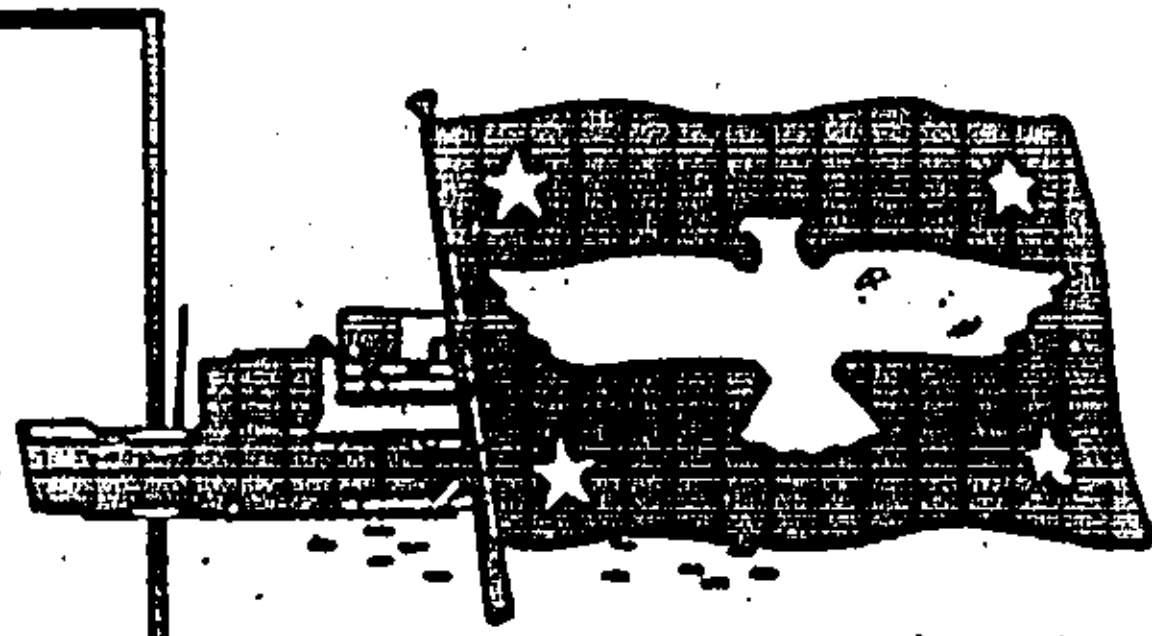
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There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.30 a.m. and one delivery of registered correspondence at 11 a.m.

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Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date, 25th June	July 2.
Shanghai	July 2.
Haiphong and Hoihow	July 2.
Canton	July 3.
Air Mail by "Air France Airways Service"	July 3.
Rabaul	July 3.
Shanghai	July 3.
U.S.A. and Manila—(San Francisco date, 11th June)	July 3.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	July 4.
Formosa, Amoy and Swatow	July 4.
Canton	July 4.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B.C., 15 June)	July 4.
Bangkok and Saigon	July 5.
Shanghai	July 6.

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	G.P.O.	Reg., July 2, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,	July 2, 7.00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY		
Amoy		July 3, 12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran and France by the "Air France Airways"	K.P.O.	Reg., July 3, 5.00 p.m.
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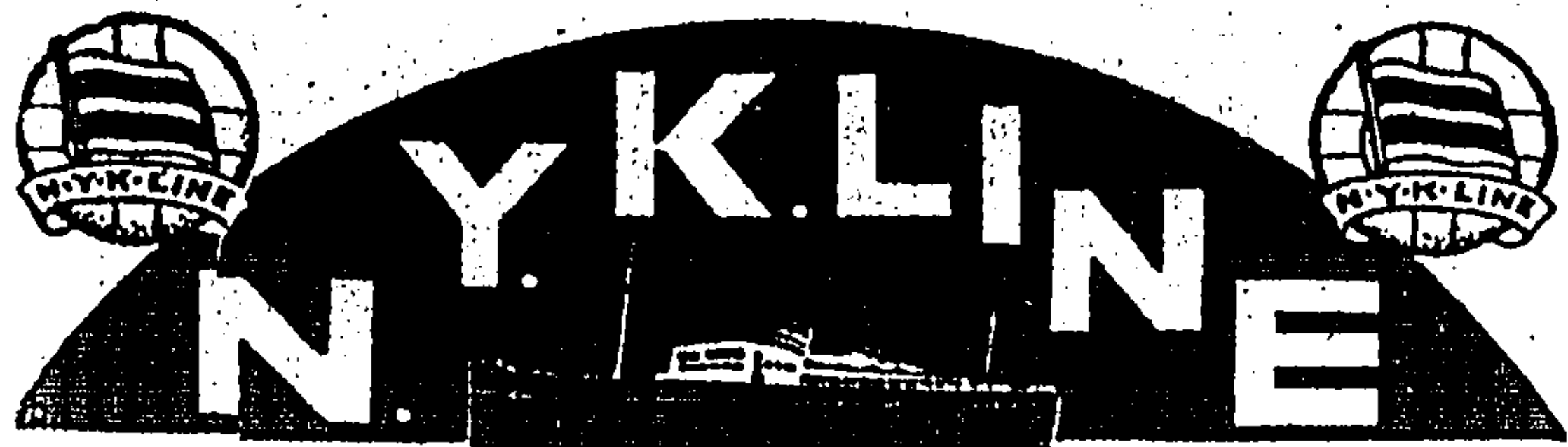
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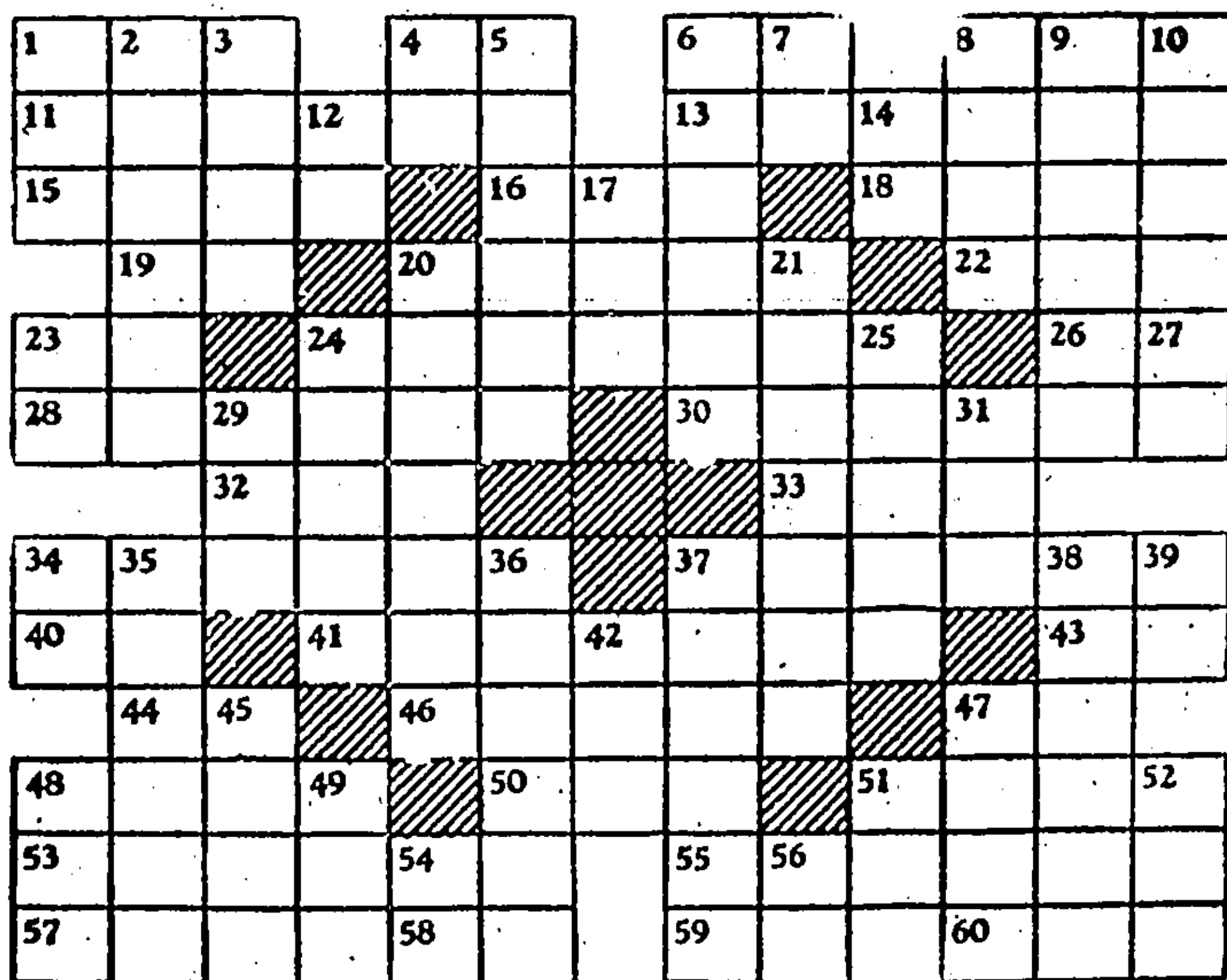
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- 19 Concerning
- 20 Underneath
- 22 Note of scale
- 23 Preposition
- 24 Neglect
- 26 Japanese drama
- 28 Alt
- 30 Apathy
- 32 Philippine savage
- 33 Island of the Cyclades
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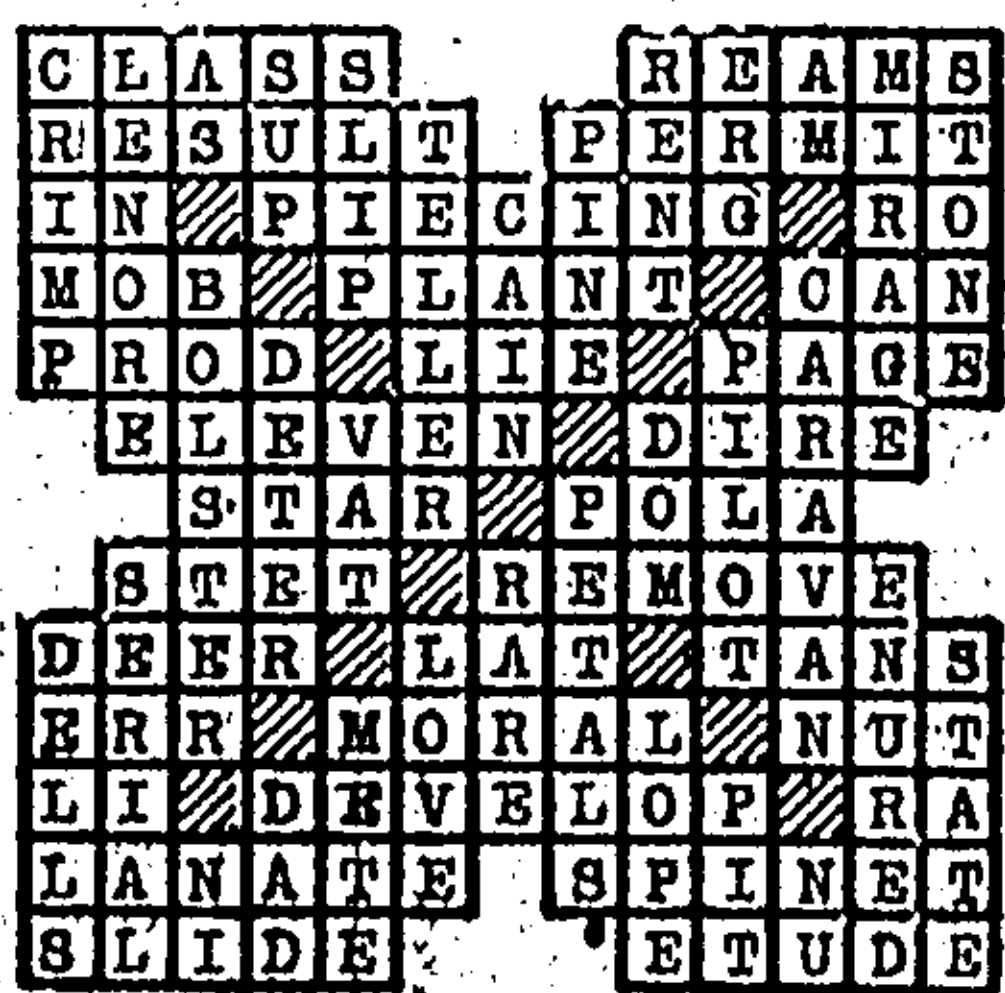
- 48 Comfort
- 50 Chess piece
- 51 Brings forth
- 53 Hindu god
- 55 To render fertile
- 57 Before
- 58 Pronoun
- 59 Roman gods
- 60 Tunisian ruler

VERTICAL

- 1 Colloquial: jail sentence
- 2 Turns aside
- 3 Part of "to be"
- 4 Bone
- 5 Sea-nymph
- 6 Elephant driver
- 7 Land measure
- 8 To assist
- 9 Unnaturally white

- 10 Things in law
- 12 Japanese measure
- 14 Article
- 17 Completely
- 20 Tropical fruit
- 21 Inflicted injury upon
- 23 Sloth
- 24 Predestines
- 25 Silkworms
- 27 Conjunction
- 29 Malay gibbon
- 31 Container
- 34 Spanish for "yes"
- 35 Pastry
- 36 Genus of perennial grasses
- 37 Expiated
- 38 To manifest
- 39 Symbol for selenium
- 42 Character in "The Faerie Queen"
- 45 South African fox
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BEHIND THE FRONTIER AGREEMENT

The recent Russo-Japanese agreement over the fixing of boundaries in the Nomonhan region is regarded in Tokyo as of local importance, though significant insofar as it will prevent the usual summer warfare in this area.

It may indicate a desire on the part of both nations to have their hands free for developments in other fields.

It is understood that negotiations may be under way for further stabilisation of relations between Russia and Japan, which would include the withdrawal of Soviet aid from the Chungking Government.

Such a pact would bear out the Russian occupation of the Baltic states, and Japan's southern policy, as these countries no longer need to watch each other in Manchoukuo.

A further development of an agreement might be a reorientation of Russia's relations with Germany, and

PRISON CAMPS ARE FILLING

More than 2,500 German prisoners of war are now behind barbed wire in Great Britain, and the number is growing daily.

The latest batch, numbering more than 40 arrived in London on their way to internment in a northern camp.

Nearly 1,500 of the prisoners are Nazi naval and mercantile officers and seamen, but during the past few days, increasing numbers of airmen and soldiers have been among the newly captured.

MANY DEFIANT

Numerous prisoners have adopted a defiant attitude, even after arrival in England, and the military escorts who guard them on their journeys to the internment camps keep a close watch on these "touch customers." The escorts' rifles are loaded with ball cartridge, and Nazi prisoners under escort are reminded of this.

strengthen Japan's stand over important questions in East Asia connected with the European war and America.



Parcels containing large quantities of clothing bedding, crockery, etc., are arriving from all parts of the country at 88, Eaton Square, S.W., the home of Viscount Halifax, the Foreign Minister and Lady Halifax. The house is a receiving depot under the direction of the Women's Voluntary Services for everything needed for refugees. (Copyright, Fox).

WENDEL WILLKIE: WHERE HE STANDS

London, Yesterday.

MR. WENDEL WILLKIE, who has been chosen by the Republican National Convention as the party candidate for the American Presidency has, says "The Times," been conspicuous for his whole-hearted conviction that the United States should help the Allies in every way possible short of declaring war.

"Most of his rivals have been converted to this view during the past few weeks, including some who began their campaign as thorough-going Isolationists but they were late and reluctant converts without his clear insight into the effect of a Nazi victory upon all causes in which Americans believe and even upon the security of the United States and her sister republics of the American Continent.

His victory is the more noteworthy because he is not an orthodox party man and his claims for selection were not pushed by orthodox methods.

While opposing the Government on domestic issues, he has consistently supported President Roosevelt's foreign policy.

On the issues raised by the war, he has urged all along that every help should be given to the Allies and that the United States should embark at once upon a great programme of rearmament.

Clear Indication

Mr. Willkie has left no doubt where he stands on the great issues which now divide the world. His selection is a clear indication that the Republican Party as a whole

takes the same view as, indeed, does the overwhelming majority of the American people. The collapse of France was exploited by German propagandists in the United States as elsewhere to spread the defeatist idea that Germany had as good as won the war. British resistance, it was suggested, would soon be broken as French resistance had been and it was, therefore, useless for America to help the allies.

But the firm attitude of the British Government has restored the faith of those who know that we are fighting their battle as well as our own, that we shall go on fighting it to the end and that we can make effective use of all the help they can send us.—British Wireless.

HANGED IN GARDENS

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WAR MEMORIES OF 25 YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail" files).

July 1st, 1915.

The 9,000-ton Leyland liner, Armenia has been torpedoed 200 miles off the Scilly Islands. She tried to escape, but U-38 overhauled her and started firing. A shell crashed into the engine-room, whereupon the captain stopped the ship. The U-boat crew put two large bombs in the ship, which sank in 30 minutes.

A Belgian trawler coming to the rescue was fired on. The sinking has caused a great sensation in official American circles; 20 Americans on board were drowned.

General Sir Ian Hamilton reports that on Monday the British advanced 1,000 yards and took five lines of trenches in Gallipoli west of the Saghirdere ravine. Two trenches were taken east of the ravine.

The Gurkhas pressed forward under the cliffs and captured an important knoll due west of Krithia. Enemy counter-attacks were repulsed with severe losses.

Petrograd:—A squadron of German warships, including a coast battleship and four light cruisers and several destroyers, have shelled Windau; landings were attempted but these were repulsed. One German destroyer was sunk by a mine. Russian destroyers engaged the enemy and drove them off.

The Battle in the Argonne continues to be extremely violent.



The mentally sketchy girl-friend says when a boy-friend tries to drop her he finds she's dynamite.

FAT FLYERS

Julius Caesar—if we are to believe so great an authority as Shakespeare—once expressed to Mark Antony a preference for fat men. He took the view that they were much more likely to be sleeping soundly in their beds at night while their "Lean and Hungry" brothers were hatching dangerous plots in the small hours.

"Let me have men about me that are fat, appeared also to be the slogan of Sir Kingley Wood, the former Air Minister but one gathers that this referred only to his flying personnel.

The ground staff of the R.A.F. may presumably, be fat or lean as chance takes it. But fat men, we are told, make the best pilots for long-distance work. They eat what they please, and are better able to stand both the cold and the strain.

The R.A.F. medical experts are accordingly watching closely what fat men do eat to see if their diet can be adopted by others.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations to-day:—

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.
H.K. Lands \$30 sa.

PUBLIC UTILITIES
China Lights (Old) \$6 sa.
China Lights (New) \$3.05 sa.
Telephones (Old) \$19 sa.

STORES, & C.

Dairy Farms \$17½ sa.
Watsons \$7.45 b.

MISCELLANEOUS
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 103½ s.
LAST DAY'S SALES

300 Lands @ \$30
500 Lights (Old) @ \$6
1,000 Lights (New) @ \$3.05
100 Telephones (Old) @ \$19
200 Dairy Farms @ \$17½

MANILA SHARES
Antamoks Ps. .08 b.
Baguio Gold Ps. .14¼ sa.
Consol. Mines Ps. .0016 sa.
East Mindanao Ps. .06¼ sa.
Itogons Ps. .14¼ b.
Masbates Ps. .06½ sa.
Mind. Mother Lode Ps. .08 sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .09 sa.
United Paracales Ps. .15½ b.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2 7/8.

The cross rate London/New York was quoted at 2—U.S.\$4.0250 and the New York/London rate at 2—U.S.\$4.58-1/2.

ATTACK ON WOMAN

Li Kau, 35, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K. C., this morning, with assaulting a 52-year-old woman, Li Kwan, with intent to commit a felony, on the staircase of No. 163, Johnston Road yesterday.

The woman was walking down the stairs when defendant threw pepper into her eyes. She shouted out "save life," and her son chased and caught defendant.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed.

CATHEDRAL THEFT

A 23-year-old unemployed, To Tin, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. R. Edwards this morning for stealing a carpet and three cents from St. John's Cathedral on June 24, and for illegally pawning the carpet.

Sub-Inspector Byron said that officials of the Cathedral discovered the theft early on June 25. Defendant, formerly employed as a coolie in the Cathedral, was suspected and when questioned, admitted that he entered the Church at about 11 p.m. on June 24, and stole the carpet.

STOLE FROM FRIEND

Wong Yat-fu, 26, was remanded for one week by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, when charged with stealing a suit of clothing, containing \$240, an I.O.U. for \$1,300; and a fountain pen, from Chiu Wah-tak, in room No. 419, Luk Kwok Hotel.

Det.-Sergt. J. Bentley said defendant and his victim were friends. They occupied the same room in the hotel. Defendant took the clothing and went to Macao. He was arrested a few days ago. He had spent all the money.

WEATHER REPORT

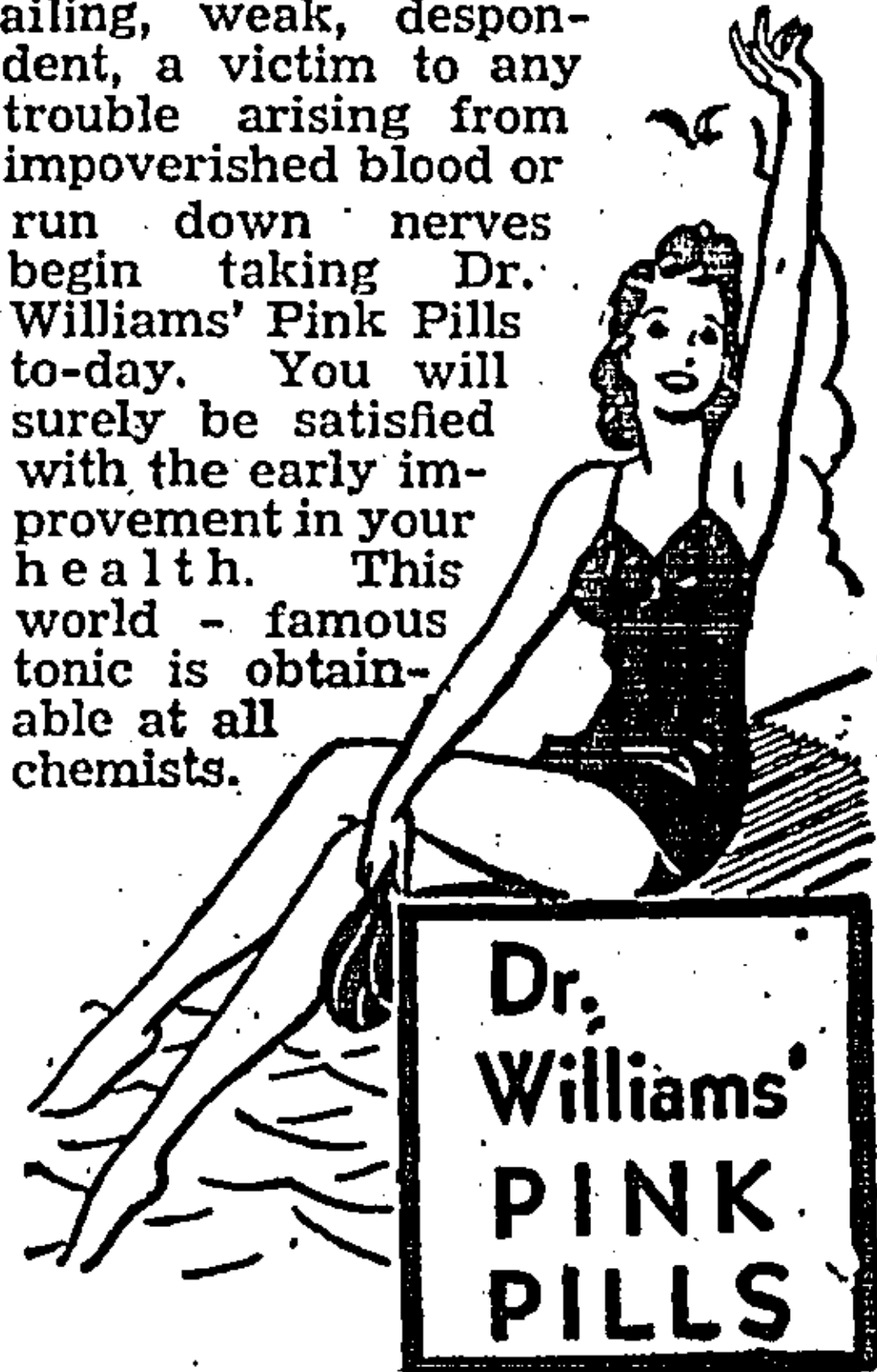
Another 1.61 inches of rain fell in the last 24 hours, bringing the total since January 1 to 65.36 inches, or 26.87 inches above normal.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over the Pacific to the south-east of the Bonins; a depression covers South China, with a shallow secondary extending eastward to south Formosa.

Get The Most Out Of Your Holiday!

Without a doubt you want to enjoy your holiday right from the start—but will you? Certainly not if you are run down, anaemic, troubled by digestive disorders and lack the energy to join in the bathing, tennis, dancing and other holiday recreations.

To obtain full benefit and happiness from a holiday it is well to build up your strength and vitality beforehand by means of a short course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the blood and nerve tonic which has been a friend to men and women for more than fifty years. And if you are ailing, weak, despondent, a victim to any trouble arising from impoverished blood or run down nerves begin taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to-day. You will surely be satisfied with the early improvement in your health. This world-famous tonic is obtainable at all chemists.

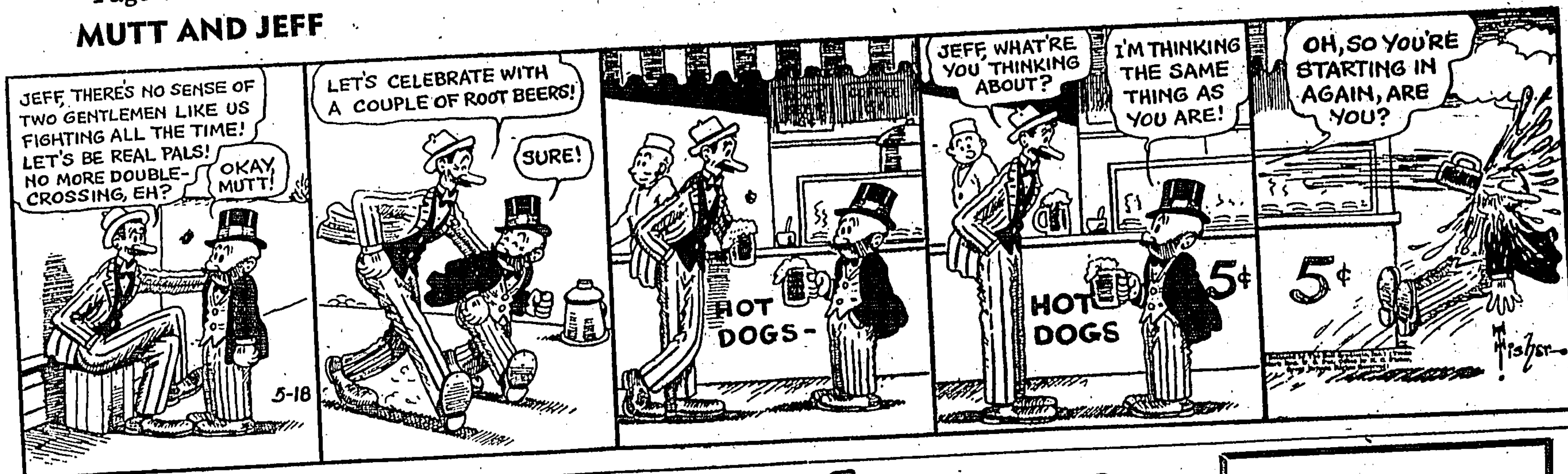


YOU'LL SEE HER SOON

AT THE

KING'S THEATRE

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MUTT AND JEFF



Beethoven
Symphony

6.00 p.m.—"For the Children."
6.30 p.m.—Emil Roosz and His Orch.
Tango—Jalousie (Gade).
Serenade from 'Frasquita' (Lehar).
Pasodoble—Moorish March (Mohr).
Carioca Fox-Trot—Valentina.
Tango—When A Gipsy Played.
6.45 p.m.—A Variety Programme.
Vocal—Whisper in your Dreams (Levinge).
The Meaning of a Rose (Besly).
Winnie Melville (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 4.
Intro: I Need You; What will I tell my Heart; The Love Bug will Bite You.

To-day's Wireless

ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M.
9.52 Megacycles

Charlie Kunz with Rhythm
Accomp.
Comedian—Round Scotland with Will Fyffe.
Will Fyffe with Orchestra.
Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D. 4.
Intro: With Plenty of Money and You; Let's Put our Heads Together; Moonlight and Shadows; With Plenty of Money and You.

Charlie Kunz with Rhythm
Vocal—Pensee D'Automne (Marsenet).
Tristesse (Chopin, arr. Marbot).
Tino Rossi with Orchestra.
Humorous Monologue—The Anti-Arson Squad (Tilley).
John Tilly.
Piano—Accordeon—Stars Over Devon (Flynn and Egan).
George Scott-Wood with Instrumental Accomp.
Vocal—Ride, Cossack, Ride (film 'Balalaika').
The Magic of Your Love (film 'Balalaika').
Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—This week's programmes.
8.07 p.m.—Alfredo Campoli and His Orchestra and Alfred Piccaver (Tenor).

Cavatina (Raff).
Canzonetta (D'Ambrosio).
Alfredo Campoli and His Orch.
Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses (Openshaw).
Beauty's Eyes (Tosti).
Alfred Piccaver (Tenor) with Piano.
La Capricciosa (Ries).
Hora Staccato (Dinicu-Heifetz).
Alfredo Campoli (Violin) with Piano accomp.
I Heard You Singing (Coates).
Alfred Piccaver (Tenor) with Piano accomp.
Serenade Out of the Night (Spiliarsky).
Later On (Grimshaw).
Alfredo Campoli and His Salon Orchestra.

8.37 p.m.—Morton Downey, The Three Virtuosos, The Three Musketeers and The Bickershaw Colliery Band.
Vocal—You Needn't Have Kept It A Secret (O'Connor and Others).
Morton Downey with Orch.
Fox-Trots—Little Silhouette.
Three Jolly Fellows.
The Three Virtuosos.
Vocal—There's A Gold Mine In The Sky (Kenny).
My Swiss Hilly Billy (film 'Love-ly to look at').
The Three Musketeers and Rae Jenkins' Buskers.
Brass Band—The King's Lieutenant—Overture (Titl, arr. Moore).

Variety
Programmes

The Bickershaw Colliery Band.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.
9.45 p.m.—Light Opera.
"The Mikado"—Selection (Sullivan).
Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.
"The Gelsa"—Vocal Gems (Jones).
Light Opera Company with Orchestra.
10.00 p.m.—An hour of Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Don't You Know or Don't You Care.
Lost Love.
"Fats" Waller and His Rhythm.
Quickstep—Bob White.
Slow Fox-Trot—Quicksands.
Gerry Moore (Piano).
Fox-Trots—The Bells of St. Mary. Dardanella.
Horace Heidt and His Brigadiers.
Swing Fox-Trots—Ring Dem Bells.
I'm In The Mood for Swing.
Lionel Hampton and Orchestra.
Tangos—Yo Sere Como Tu Quieras.
Supplicio.
Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Quickstep—Day In—Day Out.
Slow Fox-Trot—Mine Alone.
Gerry Moore (Piano).
Fox-Trots—Smile When You Say Goodbye (from 'The Show Goes On').
In A Little French Casino.
Jay Wilbur and His Band.
Quickstep—Old Fashioned Love.
Slow Fox-Trot—If We Never Meet Again.
Gerry Moore (Piano).
Waltzes—Brigitte.
Cuckoo Waltz.
Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra.
Quickstep—Keep A Twinkle In Your Eye.
Gerry Moore (Piano).
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



(By The Four Aces)

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SIGNALS OFF!

To-day's hand is a fine illustration of the vital importance of what is known as "counting out" a hand. This counting process is determining the number of cards in each suit held by the other players. In this instance East could count his partner's hand. He failed to do so and South was presented with an otherwise impossible contract.

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

♠ Q J 8 2
♥ Q 6
♦ J 10 9 4
♣ J 5 3
♠ 9 7 3
♥ A 10 9 8
♦ 5 4 2
♣ K
♠ K
♥ A 10 9 8
♦ 5 4 2
♣ K
♠ Q 10
♥ 7
♦ 6 5 3
♣ A K 7 6 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	1♥	Pass	2♥
2♠	3♥	3♠	4♥
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the Ace of hearts and continued, South trumping. Declarer played the Ace of spades, then a small spade to dummy, and next cashed his two top clubs. When the club Queen dropped, South saw that he would just have to risk a third lead of the suit before drawing the last trump, for otherwise he would be blocked. West trumped this third round of clubs and laid down the diamond King, upon which East signalled violently with the averted hand. To East's disgust, West now played a heart (he had nothing else left). South of course ruffed in his hand, then discarded the last two diamonds on his clubs.

Obviously East should have overtaken his partner's diamond King, then cashed the Queen for the setting trick, for West's distribution had been completely revealed. Since Declarer had trumped the second heart, West was clearly marked with seven cards in that suit. Next, he had shown up with two clubs and subsequently three spades. By a process of elimination therefore West held but one diamond. When the King was played, East should have overtaken since he had the certain knowledge that his partner could not lead another one.

Saturday with both sides vulnerable, you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and held:

♠ A K 10 x
♥ A x
♦ K 9 8 x
♣ K 10 x

The bidding:

You	Schenken	Jacoby	Burnstone
1♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER:—Bid four notrump. This is a Slam Invitation that may be passed, unless partner has a very good two-notrump bid.

Score 100% for four notrump, 50% for three notrump, 40% for three diamonds (suit too weak).

QUESTION NO. 450

Merwin Maier is your partner. Both sides are vulnerable and you hold:

♠ J x x
♥ K 10 x x
♦ A J x
♣ A x x

The bidding:

Maier	Schenken	You	Burnstone
1♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
1NT	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow).
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GALA AT C.B.C.

Chinese Bathing Club will hold their second swimming gala of the season at North Point this evening. The programme is as follows:—
Men's 100 metres Free-style.
Ladies' 50 metres Free-style.
50 metres Free-style (for Bellous School only).
Men's 200 metres Breast-strokes.
Ladies' and Children 100 metres Relay.
100 metres Free-style (for Junior training class).
Water Polo.



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SKIPS' TABLES

FOLLOWING ARE THE records of all skips in the three divisions of the Lawn Bowls League.

FIRST DIVISION									
	P.	W.	L.	T.	Shots		Shots		Pts.
					F.	A.	Up	Dn.	
C. G. Silva (Rec. "A")	8	8	0	0	208	125	83	0	16
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	7	6	1	0	141	128	13	0	12
A. M. Holland (K.B.G.C.)	7	5	1	1	146	124	22	0	11
A. J. Hall (K.B.G.C.)	7	5	2	0	165	118	47	0	10
C. S. Rosset (C.C.C.)	7	5	2	0	168	117	51	0	10
H. A. Alves (Rec. "A")	8	5	3	0	176	132	44	0	10
F. X. M. Silva (Rec. "A")	8	5	3	0	165	148	17	0	10
F. Cullen (K.D.R.C.)	5	4	1	0	109	84	25	0	8
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.)	6	4	2	0	135	87	48	0	8
H. E. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	6	4	2	0	128	126	2	0	8
G. H. Sherriff (K.B.G.C.)	7	4	3	0	165	130	35	0	8
J. J. Basto (Rec. "B")	7	4	3	0	143	152	0	9	8
R. Basa (C.C.C.)	7	2	2	3	156	135	21	0	7
J. C. S. Fender (P.R.C.)	8	3	4	1	154	145	9	0	7
K. S. Robertson (H.K.F.C.)	4	3	1	0	78	71	7	0	6
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	6	3	3	0	118	106	12	0	6
J. E. Noronha (Rec. "B")	7	3	4	0	137	132	5	0	6
M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	7	3	4	0	145	143	2	0	6
B. Basto (Rec. "B")	7	3	4	0	133	154	0	21	6
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	8	3	5	0	143	175	0	32	6
F. J. Jones (C.S.C.C.)	4	2	1	1	82	73	9	0	5
J. Orem (P.R.C.)	7	2	4	1	119	153	0	34	5
J. McKelvie (K.D.R.C.)	5	2	3	0	88	97	0	9	4
E. Kern (K.C.C.)	5	2	3	0	93	110	0	17	4
W. Gill (H.K.F.C.)	7	2	5	0	114	163	0	49	4
N. J. Bebbington (H.K.F.C.)	7	1	5	1	108	162	0	54	3
J. Shepherd (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	19	18	1	0	2
E. G. Post (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	20	17	3	0	2
L. A. Collyer (C.S.C.C.)	2	1	1	0	48	37	11	0	2
A. R. Minu (I.R.C.)	3	1	2	0	58	64	0	6	2
J. F. McGowan (C.S.C.C.)	4	1	3	0	67	103	0	36	2
J. Kempton (K.D.R.C.)	5	1	4	0	93	117	0	24	2
F. Goodwin (K.C.C.)	6	0	4	2	106	142	0	36	2
A. E. Carey (P.R.C.)	7	1	6	0	138	156	0	18	2
G. Duncan (H.K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	15	25	0	10	0
G. C. Moss (K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	14	37	0	23	0
J. Hollidge (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	2	0	29	45	0	16	0
A. Brooksbank (H.K.F.C.)	5	0	5	0	69	142	0	73	0

SECOND DIVISION									
	P.	W.	L.	T.	Shots		Shots		Pts.
					F.	A.	Up	Dn.	
W. McNeill (C.C.C.)	5	5	0	0	119	85	34	0	10
P. Youngusband (K.F.C.)	6	5	1	0	149	97	52	0	10
T. W. Carr (K.C.C.)	7	5	2	0	160	116	44	0	10
O. Remedios (Rec.)	7	5	2	0	186	119	37	0	10
A. J. Kew (K.T.)	7	5	2	0	120	126	0	6	10
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	8	4	2	2	170	152	18	0	10
A. A. Lewis (C.C.C.)	8	5	3	0	160	145	15	0	10
R. Duncan (K.B.G.C.)	7	4	3	0	151	128	23	0	8
R. M. Keown (T.C.)	7	4	3	0	139	121	18	0	8
H. L. Lockhart (K.B.G.C.)	7	4	3	0	135	125	10	0	8
A. W. Brown (H.K.C.C.)	6	3	2	1	112	146	0	34	7
E. de Souza (Rec.)	7	3	3	1	131	127	4	0	7
J. L. Stephens (K.T.)	3	3	0	0	75	50	25	0	6
W. V. Field (K.F.C.)	4	3	1	0	87	58	29	0	6
W. Simpson (K.F.C.)	5	3	2	0	114	97	17	0	6
J. Chalmers (T.C.)	6	3	3	0	128	109	19	0	6
B. E. Maughan (H.K.C.C.)	6	3	3	0	121	113	8	0	6
A. Spary (K.C.C.)	6	3	3	0	104	116	0	12	6
L. Guy (K.B.G.C.)	4	2	1	1	88	70	18	0	5
P. Yvanovich (Rec.)	6	2	3	1	117	122	0	5	5
S. Eccleshall (C.S.C.C.)	6	2	3	1	106	115	0	9	5
A. H. Basto (K.T.)	7	2	4	1	141	138	3	0	5
T. Stainton (T.C.)	2	2	0	0	42	33	9	0	4
W. Harrower (K.B.G.C.)	3	2	1	0	75	33	42	0	4
A. Wright (P.R.C.)	4	2	2	0	80	77	3	0	4
H. Gittins (K.T.)	4	2	2	0	75	82	0	7	4
J. M. Jack (K.C.C.)	5	2	3	0	91	113	0	22	4
C. Strange (C.S.C.C.)	7	1	5	1	132	137	0	5	3
W. Hyde (K.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	30	3	27	0	2
J. C. Gill (K.B.G.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	14	12	0	2
A. A. Razack (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	24	13	11	0	2
E. Zimmer (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	22	12	10	0	2
A. A. Remedios (Recreio)	1	1	0	0	19	10	9	0	2
V. N. Atienza (K.F.C.)	1	1	0	0	22	17	5	0	2
H. Drew (K.B.G.C.)	1	1	0	0	21	18	3	0	2
F. Channing (P.R.C.)	2	1	1	0	44	43	1	0	2
W. R. Hillyer (C.S.C.C.)	3	1	2	0	46	68	0	22	2
V. Chittenden (K.F.C.)	4	1	3	0	61	88	0	27	2
W. Glendinning (P.R.C.)	4	1	3	0	57	86	0	29	2
R. Marks (K.C.C.)	5	1	4	0	93	113	0	20	2
D. Munro (T.C.)	6	1	5	0	108	146	0	38	2
W. E. Hollands (P.R.C.)	6	0	4	2	84	148	0	64	2
A. B. Allen (C.S.C.C.)	4	0	3	1	61	98	0	37	1
H. Brown (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	17	19	0	2	0
G. E. Costello (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	17	23	0	6	0
N. P. Karanjia (C.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	16	23	0	7	0
J. Henson (K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	18	21	0	3	0
J. W. Macdonald (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	15	24	0	9	0
G. E. F. Thompson (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	1	0	14	28	0	14	0
W. B. Fraser (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	12	28	0	16	0
J. Purvis (C.S.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	13	32	0	19	0
G. S. Archbutt (H.K.C.C.)	2	0	2	0	19	45	0	26	0
J. S. Riddell (P.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	24	51	0	27	0
L. A. R. Duncan (H.K.C.C.)	3	0	3	0	43	83	0	40	0

THIRD DIVISION									
	P.	W.	L.	T.	Shots		Shots		Pts.
					F.	A.	Up	Dn.	
A. F. Paul (H.K.E.R.C.)	5	5	0	0	115	77	38	0	10
W. J. Bagley (P.O.C.)	6	5	1	0	133	89	44	0	10
A. Jiljot (P.O.C.)	6	5	1	0	139	106	33	0	10
L. Jordan (K.B.G.C.)	7	5	2	0	163	122	41	0	10
K. C. Hamilton (K.B.G.C.)	7	5	2	0	147	117	30	0	10
J. T. Smalley (K.F.C.)	7	5	2	0	162	127	25	0	10
B. Evans (K.F.C.)	7	4	1	2	149	127	22	0	10
G. S. Graver (H.K.F.C.)	5	4	0	1	106	86	20	0	9
J. S. Dinnen (K.B.G.C.)	7	4	3	0	137	124	18	0	8
H. G. Wallington (H.K.F.C.)	7	4	3	0	136	132	3	0	8
J. K. Sloan (H.K.E.R.C.)	4	3	0	1	106	55	51	0	7
G. S. Thompson (H.K.E.R.C.)	4	3	1	0	91	84	27	0	6
T. Pile (P.O.C.)	6	3	3	0	130	103	27	0	6
G. S. Ladd (C.C.C.)	8	3	5	0	169	152	17	0	6
R. A. Edwards (H.K.C.C.)	4	2	2	0	79	72	7	0	4
A. McKellar (H.K.C.C.)	4	2	2	0	72	94	0	22	4
S. H. Strange (H.K.F.C.)	6	2	4	0	100	118	0	18	4
A. E. B. Alves (C.C.C.)	6	2	4	0	95	121	0	25	4

SATURDAY'S SPORT IN RETROSPECT

Though rain threatened to ruin the lawn bowls programme on Saturday the weather cleared up sufficiently later to enable 10 of the 14 League games to be played.

Indian Recreation Club did well to beat K.C.C. on all three rinks.

Two interesting games were witnessed in Second Division. Kowloon Football Club provided the real surprise of the day by beating Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 16 shots and winning on two rinks. Drew of Bowling Green Club did well to beat a strong Football Club rink under J. E. Henson.

After losing their first three games of the season Kowloon Tong are now settling down and have collected seven points in their last four games. They tied with Recreio, winning on two rinks.

Another team which is showing great improvement is Hong Kong Cricket Club and they went very near beating Taikoo Docks on Saturday. There was only one shot difference and a fraction of an inch might have given them a draw. The last head between Brown and Munro was a "dead one."

Short of two of their regular play-

ers and forced to complete their side on the green. Kowloon Football Club gave Hong Kong Electric a good game and only lost by six shots. Sloan and Evans shared the points, while J. Smalley, aided by a Kowloon fah wong, did well to win beat Thomson by four shots. Paul beat J. Smith by 10 shots to lead the Third Division skips' table.

H.B. had matters all their own way on Saturday against South China and won comfortably by 14 runs to 1.

D. Leonard pitched the whole distance for the Brewers, and though he did meet with much success as far as strike outs were concerned had a successful afternoon. The fielding of H.B. was good and S. Leonard and G. Souza, in unusual positions, did well.

With the exception of Pau, South China have few players who have had previous baseball experience but they are a sporting crowd and will no doubt profit by the experience they are now gaining.

With the defeat of Hong Kong Baseball Club yesterday the race for championship honours now lies between Mindanao, Chung Hwa and H.B.

H. W. Randall (C.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	23	11	12	0	2
J. I. Barnes (H.K.F.C.)	1	1	0	0	18	17	1	0	2
G. E. Stephens (H.K.F.C.)	2	1	1	0	50	37	13	0	2
R. H. Wild (H.K.C.C.)	2	1	1	0	37	28	9	0	2
A. Bakar (I.R.C.)	3	1	2	0	60	55	5	0	2
P. Morgan (K.F.C.)	3	1	2	0	51	68	0	17	2
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.)	4	1	3	0	62	89	0	27	2
P. S. Cassidy (H.K.C.C.)	4	1	3	0	51	105	0	54	2
A. M. Wahab (I.R.C.)	7	1	6	0	112	151	0	39	2
S. M. Rumjahn (I.R.C.)	7	1	6	0	111	155	0	44	2
N. P. Karanjia (C.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	14	25	0	11	0
A. J. Coelho (C.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	11	22	0	11	0
J. Prentice (H.K.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	16	28	0	12	0
D. A. Rozario (C.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	12	26	0	14	0
J. Smith (K.F.C.)	2	0	2	0	31	42	0	11	0
J. F. Lunny (H.K.E.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	28	45	0	17	0
J. Pau (C.C.C.)	2	0	2	0	29	47	0	18	0
C. Pile (K.F.C.)	2	0	2	0	32	50	0	18	0
S. O. Bux (I.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	25	61	0	36	0
M. Y. Adal (I.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	21	64	0	43	0

BOWLS COMPETITION

SECOND ROUND OF OPEN PAIRS TO-DAY

The Second Round of the Open Pairs Lawn Bowls championship starts to-day and a long programme of matches has been arranged.

It is highly probable that a number of these games will be postponed owing to Volunteer duties and mutually re-arranged by the competitors concerned to be played during the week.

The following is to-day's programme:—

"C" DIVISION TENNIS PAIRINGS

Following are "C" Division League tennis pairings:-

P.	L.	W.
S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.)	12	0 12
F. Khan and H. M. Singh (K.I.T.C.)	9	1 1/2 7 1/2
H. K. Ho and N. K. Ma (S.C.A.A.)	6	0 6
W. S. Lee and H. C. Kwok (S.C.A.A.)	6	0 6
H. R. Brown and C. S. Pile (H.K.P.S.C.)	9	3 6
Edward Lee and L. S. Chan (K.T.G.C.A.)	6	1 5
J. Emberson and S. J. Duffield (A.T.C.)	6	1 5
R. Zulauf and R. E. Lee (K.C.C.)	8	3 5
M. S. Hussain and G. Singh (K.I.T.C.)	9	4 5
P. Wynter-Blyth and A. L. Fisher (K.C.C.)	8	4 4
G. H. Fowler and B. I. Bickford (C.B.A.)	9	5 4

D. Adam and A. Murray (A.T.C.)	6	2 1/2 3 1/2
Ma Shu-leung and T. C. Chan (C.R.C.)	3	0 3
A. R. S. Major and S. G. Smith (H.K.P.S.C.)	3	0 3
V. Morrison and J. Howlett (H.K.P.S.C.)	3	0 3
M. S. Lee and D. Kwok (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	0 3
P. Chen and D. Chen (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	0 3
D. Hung and J. L. Anderson (K.C.C.)	8	5 3
J. Fonseca and R. M. Soares (C.D.R. "B")	5	2 3
A. M. Alves and J. A. Soares (C.D.R. "B")	5	2 3
B. G. Baker and D. Howlett (H.K.P.S.C.)	6	3 3
C. C. Luke and O. L. Pang (C.R.C.)	3	1/2 2 1/2
S. Khan and S. R. Salleh (K.I.T.C.)	3	1/2 2 1/2

L. G. Gosano and P. M. Rozario (C.D.R. "B")	2	0 2
F. K. Lau and Leung Ping-chiu (C.R.C.)	3	1 2
K. M. Lee and H. F. Kwok (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	1 2
D. Chan and W. Fong (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	1 2
C. L. Lau and T. K. Leung (S.C.A.A.)	3	1 2
G. A. Noronha and H. A. Noronha (C.D.R. "A")	3	1 2
V. Morrison and A. R. S. Major (H.K.P.S.C.)	3	1 2
A. M. Alves and A. E. Noronha (C.D.R. "B")	3	1 2
H. Boocock and A. Martin (A.T.C.)	6	4 2
K. T. Tam and T. S. Wong (H.K.U.T.C.)	3	1 1/2 1 1/2
H. F. Goncalves and A. E. Noronha (C.D.R. "A")	3	1 1/2 1 1/2
L. G. Gosano and I. M. Gosano (C.D.R. "B")	3	1 1/2 1 1/2

G. Singh and G. M. Khan (K.I.T.C.)	3	1 1/2 1 1/2
E. Zulauf and D. Hung (K.C.C.)	3	1 1/2 1 1/2
B. Yue and Lam Kwan (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	2 1
C. E. Marques and J. A. Soares (C.D.R. "B")	3	2 1
M. S. Yu and S. L. Yong (H.K.U.T.C.)	3	2 1
D. T. Smith and J. Sloan (C.B.A.)	3	2 1
T. K. Leung and K. I. Chan (S.C.A.A.)	3	2 1
N. A. Beltrao and M. A. Guterres (C.D.R. "B")	3	2 1
N. B. M. Whitley and S. A. Fowler (C.B.A.)	6	5 1
H. Ling and E. Lee (K.T.G.C.A.)	3	2 1/2 1/2
P. Wynter-Blyth and A. Gillard (K.C.C.)	3	2 1/2 1/2
S. L. Yong and K. E. Tam (H.K.U.T.C.)	3	2 1/2 1/2
H. G. Kan and C. K. Lee (H.K.U.T.C.)	3	2 1/2 1/2
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Government To Pay

It was made clear by a Government spokesman to-day that the cost

SOVIET ADVANCE OVERFLOWS

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been declared dangerous owing to mines.—Reuter.

Russian Ambitions

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Bucharest, To-day.

Soviet ambitions extend not only to Bessarabia and Bukovina but to the whole coast of the Black Sea and even the Dardanelles, in the opinion of Rumanian political circles.

Although the Soviet troops withdrew from towns they had occupied beyond the River Pruth, which constitutes the southern boundary of Bessarabia, it is expected that Russia will seek to take advantage of the present situation to carry out the old Russian Imperial dream—control of the straits closing the Black Sea.

Russia may thus push in the very near future through Rumania and Bulgaria to attack Turkey, according to one opinion expressed here.—Havas.

of passages for evacuees from Hong Kong to Australia will be borne by Government but maintenance in Manila and Australia will be a matter of individual responsibility.

The cost of return to Hong Kong, when return is considered advisable, will also be borne by Government.

Dutch Residents Prepare To Depart

Following the distribution over the week-end of circular letters instructing the Netherlands community to have their wives and children in readiness for evacuation, the Netherlands Consul-General, Mr. D. G. E. Middleburg, to-day issued further instructions advising evacuation as soon as possible.

There are two Dutch ships in harbour which will be used for the evacuation of some 50 Netherlands women and children, of European parentage, and about 100 Java-Chinese women and children.

Those evacuating are instructed to proceed to the shipping companies concerned and book their passages. Those without any financial means will be assisted by the Consulate.

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No figures are yet available but it is expected that some thousands will avail themselves of the opportunity and it is an interesting fact that 219 from refugee camps in the urban areas went up by train from Kowloon this morning with the intention of re-entering Chinese territory.

Between 200 and 300 Americans, mostly women and children, have made reservations on board the President boat leaving for Manila to-night. The American Consulate-General stated, however, that it is not certain that all will take up their reservations.

Over 10,000 Chinese have left the Colony since yesterday morning, travelling mostly to Macao.

Manila, To-day.

Reports that American destroyers are on the way to Hong Kong from Manila are entirely erroneous, according to the U.S. naval authorities here.

It is stated should any additional vessels be required at Hong Kong they will be sent from the Chinese station. Six large submarines left for China last week but this was a routine replacement of six old type submarines which are returning to Manila.—Reuter.

Manila, To-day.

The U.S. Army authorities will handle the disembarkation of Hong Kong refugees, half of whom will be accommodated in Manila and half in Baguio.—Reuter.

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